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LET'S CLOSE THE YEAR GLORIOUSLY

The State Convention is over. It was of a constructive nature. The receipts were in advance of last year's, Mississippi being one of five that exceeded those of last year.

But the fiscal year is not out. Pledges were made for the year beginning with January 1st. The time for completion of payments is on or before December 31st.

We should let nothing side track the regular program. Baptist Honor Day is behind us. It seems that Mississippi has made a creditable record as we have in sight at this writing about \$20,000.00. The special campaign for the Orphanage is behind. Now, may we not give until the close of this year our best to the Cooperative Program and thus take care of every interest and be prepared for the new year? To do this we should procure from every member of every church a creditable offering as well as the payment of the tithe of our income.

THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION BOARD MEETS DECEMBER 11TH AT 7:00 P. M. ALL BOARD MEMBERS, AS WELL AS CHURCHES APPLYING FOR AID, WILL PLEASE TAKE DUE NOTICE AND GOVERN THEMSELVES ACCORDINGLY. APPLICATIONS FROM CHURCHES SHOULD REACH THE BOARD OFFICE NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 1ST.

—R. B. Gunter,
Cor. Secretary.

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We mailed on Nov. 7, pledge cards to the clerks of every church in the state. We sent them to the clerk whose name appeared in the 1927 Associational Minute; the only name we had. We sent cards enough for 90% of the members as reported to the association in 1927. If any church needs more cards write G. C. Hodge, Jackson, Miss., stating the number desired and they will be sent.

Brother D. W. Moulder writes that he will conduct a Bible Study every night Dec. 3-6, at Beulah Church, Simpson County, two miles east of Magee. Preaching every night; Monday night by J. L. Boyd; Tuesday night by Pastor Ferrall of D'Lo; Wednesday night by A. S. Johnston of Mt. Olive. All preachers and Christian workers invited. The church will take care of you.

The illness of Dr. E. Y. Mullins has made the hearts of Southern Baptists anxious. There seems little hope of his recovery, and yet God graciously raised him up after serious illness last summer. May our heavenly Father show his loving kindness to those who are sorely distressed.

Twenty-nine were added to the church at Liberty in the meeting in which Pastor H. H. Webb was assisted by Brother T. W. Talkington of Crystal Springs. Of these 21 were for baptism.

Mississippi State Convention

Meridian, Miss.

In the absence of J. P. Williams, for two years president of the Convention, Vice-President R. A. Kimbrough of Charleston called the meeting to order, and W. L. Compere led the congregation in singing "Onward Christian Soldiers". The auditorium of Fifteenth Ave. Church was full and people were already coming into the galleries. The devotional service was conducted by Pastor V. E. Boston of Winona. Prayer was led by Dr. E. F. Wright of West Point, who thanked God for this Convention and for the promise of adequate provision for all our needs. He prayed for wisdom and the leadership of the Spirit of God in the Convention; for the editor and the executive secretary; and for the people back home. We then sang "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross".

Brother Boston said there are about 225,000 Baptists in our Convention. Our task is to evangelize the world. Our meat is to do the will of him that sent us and finish his work. God's purpose is to save a lost world, to seek and to save that which was lost. Jesus said, As the Father sent me even so have I sent you. Our task is the same as his.

Pastor B. S. Vaughan of Southside Church welcomed the ninetieth session of the State Convention. He said if we burst another boiler there are other churches yet in Meridian in which to meet. There are over 1,600 churches in our Convention, and with all our church organizations and institutions there is nothing we cannot do. We met in Meridian ten years ago, just after the World War. We must learn the lesson of cooperation, devotion and sacrifice.

Pastor J. B. Quin of Prentiss made response to the welcome address. He recalled the experience of ten years ago, when Gen. Pershing went to Lafayette's tomb and said, "Lafayette, we're here". This thrilled every American to do his best service. We are here representing 1,000 preachers and 225,000 church members. We have been most happily received into beautiful homes and are pleased with your many material improvements. We are here on a spiritual mission, that the homes and the churches may be blest. We are expecting a blessing from you and that we shall go away better men and women. But chiefly we are here to plan with you for the ongoing of the kingdom of Jesus, for greater vision of our mission and better preparation for it.

Senator M. P. L. Love nominated L. G. Gates, for more than 20 years pastor of First Church, Laurel, who has fought our battles for righteousness with great faithfulness and honor, for president. Dr. W. T. Lowrey moved that Brother Love cast the ballot of the Convention for Dr. Gates. Dr. Marriner said the Convention could do no more worthy thing. The election was received with loud applause. Drs. Lowry and McComb were asked to escort the president to the chair.

Dr. J. A. Taylor nominated Dr. B. H. Lovelace of Clinton for vice-president. Pastor W. A. Sullivan nominated Brother Bryan Simmons, and

Brother Lee was asked to cast the ballot of the Convention for the two nominees. J. D. Ray nominated W. E. Lee, and he was unanimously elected secretary.

Committee on Committees was announced as follows: B. H. Lovelace, J. L. Low, W. E. Holcomb, V. E. Boston, and W. E. Farr.

After announcements, Brother Compere led in singing "How Firm a Foundation"; Dr. B. H. Lovelace read the scriptures, second chapter of Luke verses 40-52.

The Sermon

The preacher said he never felt so unequal to the task of preaching. He was overwhelmed with the honor just put upon him in being elected president of the Convention. Never before had he appreciated the Baptist preachers of Mississippi as in 1927-8. And while he had always appreciated The Baptist Record, never so much as in the past months. (At this there was applause throughout the audience.) His text was, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business". The first recorded declaration of Jesus was announcement of his divinity. He knew that he was the Son of God and that there was a divine program for him in the world. He knew more about God at 12 years of age than all the skeptics ever learned. Jesus was immensely interested in his Father's business.

The text expresses surprise that his mother did not know his mission in the world. She ought to have known. From this moment Jesus gave himself to his Father's business. Business is the slogan of our age, indicating the character of our era. The pastor's study has given way to the church office. He is now an ecclesiastical manager. Jesus had the Father's business on his heart and hands and shoulders. This is the biggest business on earth; the only one big enough to engage the thought of the Son of God. We ought to have the same estimate as he of its worth. Measure it in any way, God's business is the biggest on earth, engaging all the spiritual resources in heaven and on earth.

In this business there is no risk as to the ultimate outcome. But the Spirit is seeking men who are willing to risk all for God. This is the hour when we are called on to risk all. Martin Luther did it in his day. Paul risked all, saying "I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Jesus". John Wesley risked all to purge the Church of England. Roger Williams did it and planted religious freedom in America. John Bunyan cast all in and won. In 1928 we must ask ourselves if we are willing to risk all for God.

Our Father's business is a corporation: we are working with him, members of the firm. Do you ask yourself, Is it profitable to take such a course? is it safe? Do you ask yourself whether prohibition is practicable? It was put into the Constitution by those who are crying on business for God. It is the trophy of God's people. There were millions of people who recently

said we will keep it in the Constitution. God's business helps every legitimate business and destroys all others. The organized forces of the liquor traffic have been put to route by the spiritual forces of the nation. Property values depend on the progress of the Father's business.

The world is at enmity with God's business. The gospel is not to whitewash the world, but to wash white the souls of men. The products of this business is saved men and women. The by-products are institutions and material prosperity and enlightened civilization.

When Charles Wesley wrote "Jesus Refuge of My Soul" he did more than discovering a continent. Make the right kind of men and the right kind of material products will come, but not vice-versa. A Christian mother makes a greater contribution to the world than all the politicians combined.

Christianity has to do with every phase of life. "Our government rests on religion"—Coolidge. The government of a country never gets ahead of its religion. The church is God's instrument of carrying on business. The devil seeks to disorganize the church. Men's energies, time and money are going too much into other institutions.

The management of the Father's business has been entrusted to the Holy Spirit. He is not to be quenched, grieved or resisted. We need to pray—

Come Holy Spirit, heavenly dove
With all thy quenching powers,
Kindle a flame of heavenly love
In these cold hearts of ours.

The Orphanage Glee Club was introduced and sang "Peace Be Still". By vote of Convention, on motion of J. L. Low, Brother L. G. Gates was requested to furnish a manuscript copy of the Convention sermon to The Baptist Record for publication.

A quartet from the Orphanage sang a negro spiritual and an offering was made to the Orphanage.

Wednesday Morning

Brother D. Curtis Hall led the singing and Dr. B. L. Davis of Picayune led the devotional exercise. Mr. L. C. Riley of Tupelo sang "Close To Thee" in a fine spirit of worship. Dr. Davis read the outline of a sermon on the 51st Psalm verses 10-13.

1. Consistent Christian living. 2. A right spirit. 3. An ever consciousness of the presence of God. 4. A winsome life. 5. Conversion of sinners. Prayer was led by H. L. Carter of Central Church, McComb. This was a most sensible devotional service of prayer and song and scripture reading.

Mississippi students of the Baptist Bible Institute sent greetings to the Convention. Telegram was read also from Dr. George W. Truett, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, sending loving greetings, regret that he could not be present and the prayer in Ephesians 1:15 and following.

Committees were announced by the Committee on Committees as follows:

Committee on Resolutions—J. E. Wills, H. H. Webb, W. W. Kyzar, E. H. Marriner, S. G. Pope.

Committee on Review of Education Commission—M. P. L. Love, Joel Berry, J. J. Mayfield, W. T. Lowrey, D. M. Nelson.

Social Service—E. F. Wright, J. R. Carter, J. C. Greenoe, A. R. Loftin, J. A. Taylor.

Historical Research—J. L. Boyd, J. W. Lee, W. A. McComb, G. S. Jenkins, W. A. Sullivan.

On Nominations to report next year—J. E. Byrd, J. D. Ray, J. B. Quin, Webb Brame, T. W. Green.

On Time and Place of next meeting—W. A. Hewitt, R. L. Lemons, C. S. Henderson, J. M. Walker, W. A. Greene.

On Review of Mission Board—T. W. Young, J. S. Riser, J. D. Franks, O. O. Green, A. F. Crittenden.

Pastor R. B. Patterson made the report on Social Service. He was in position to do this by being pastor of the Orphanage and in the

same city with the Mississippi Hospital and on the Advisory Committee of the Board of Ministerial Relief. The Hospital is overcrowded. The Orphanage is training the young people for usefulness in our churches. The cost per capita is less than any other Southern Baptist Orphanage, and much less than at the Methodist Orphanage in Mississippi. An increased appropriation is asked for. Complaint has been made of inadequate care for the children. Let us make possible better provision for these children.

The Report of the Education Commission was read by Dr. H. L. Martin of Lexington. Gratification was expressed at the progress made in Baptist Education in Mississippi. It seems that the obligations of the colleges will be met promptly. None of the colleges has adequate endowment, though having now just enough to entitle them to standardization. The report merely mentions the suggestions previously made that there be one board of trustees for all our colleges, and that the work of the Education Commission be turned over to the Convention Board.

Dr. R. B. Gunter presented the report of the Convention Board. Recommendations were made as follows: That a ten per cent advance be made in 1929 in contributions, total \$360,000. That the division of funds be 55 per cent for State work and 45 per cent for Southwide work. The percentage in the state to be as follows: For State Missions, 18 per cent; Orphanage, 4½; Jackson Hospital, 2; Memphis Hospital, ½; Education (including ministerial education), 30 per cent.

Dr. George Burnett, Associate Secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, spoke on the matter of budgets and finances. He is thoroughly committed to the single budget in a church, in which all items shall be included. The church at Clarksdale recently voted to send three times as much next year to denominational work as heretofore and send it every week. To do this the ratio of missions and local expenses must be sacredly observed. It is well to have two treasurers, and the mission treasurer must insist on having his part. The Convention lost much by lack of time for his address.

Visitors and New Pastors

J. D. Thompson, H. L. Carter, N. C. Howard, H. R. Holcomb, Faulkner, Ezell, L. C. Riley, S. F. Lowe, C. O. Estes, H. W. Ellis, Overton, L. B. Cobb, T. B. McPheeters, Josiah Crudup, Rosoff (father and son), R. L. Lemons.

Dr. A. J. Barton of the Home Board spoke in the interest of Home Missions. He said he had no administrative authority in the Loan Fund, but only investigating and recommending loans to churches. There are more unsaved people in the South today than the whole population when the Board began its work, and there are nine other reasons for continuing the work of the Home Board.

Dr. J. C. Greenoe read the report on Social Service, urging the creation of public sentiment for law enforcement, especially prohibition. Dr. T. J. Bailey said that the small amount given to old preachers was altogether insufficient to supply their needs. The amounts vary from \$5.00 to \$12.50 a month. Some of these old men are sick and need special treatment. Dr. E. F. Wright reported that \$500 annuities are now being paid those who have taken the insurance of the Relief Board. Brother Flynt of Calhoun City explained further the work of this board, and insisted that stewardship and tithing are the only hope of sustaining all our work.

Prohibition

Dr. Bailey said this is a legitimate subject for discussion, being on our program every year. This is no time for personal animosity. Let us give credit for pure motives. It is impossible to keep the moral and political phases of this subject apart. Let each of us speak his convictions. There is no desire among Baptists to have political control by the churches. Liquor people have always wanted to prevent the churches from taking part in moral reforms. In the four states

of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas a quarter million dollars was collected in fines for violation of the prohibition law in excess of the expense of enforcement.

Rev. Wayne Alliston spoke on the Hospital, telling how the indebtedness of the Hospital is being gradually reduced. Patients are now being turned away, and additional building is now a necessity. A bond issue is asked of \$50,000 for this purpose. Dr. J. P. Wall said the Hospital is now being run on good business principles and ought to be largely endowed. Already much charity work is being done and the doctors are willing to give their service to such without charge.

Orphanage

Superintendent B. E. Massey thanked the people for their cooperation and the trustees for their service. He said the per capita expense of taking care of the children has been greatly reduced. New trucks had to be bought. The superintendent signs no checks until they are signed by the finance committee. The chief expense has been in repairs and equipment. There have been only six deaths among the children in twenty-five years. Dr. Norman W. Cox said we need to take seriously the business of caring for the orphan children. He marveled at the achievement of the past 12 months. The small amount expended per capita is our shame. The Orphanage ought not to come to the Convention with a tin cup in its hand every year. It can't be run on the amount received from the cooperative program. One of three things ought to be done: (1) Increase the percentage or (2) instruct the Executive Secretary to pay \$1,000 a month to the Orphanage and allow the superintendent to supplement this by special solicitation or (3) Mississippi Baptists should give enough money to cover all needs.

Wednesday Afternoon

The congregation swung into "Stand Up For Jesus", and Vice-President B. Simmons started the business going. Pastor T. W. Talkington conducted the devotional service, reading John 16, emphasizing "Your sorrow shall be turned into joy". This is divine alchemy. DeSoto failed to find the fountain of youth. Not yet has been found a way to transmute baser metals into gold. But God changes sorrow into joy. What causes pain now will be our ground for rejoicing. Pastor W. A. Sullivan led in prayer and Brother Rosoff, the converted Jew, sang a solo.

The Kentucky General Association sent a telegram with the prayer in 2 Thess. 1:11-12.

W. A. Sullivan presented a resolution favoring a campaign for \$1,500,000 for education. Referred to resolutions committee; also others relating to college budgets and free tuition to ministers' children; also resolutions passed by Franklin Association previously published in the Record. Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

The Convention took up the motion of N. W. Cox instructing the Convention Board to pay monthly 1/12 of the cooperative receipts of the past year to the Orphanage. It was favored by Dr. Cox and Brother Youngblood, and opposed by M. P. L. Love, E. K. Cox and R. B. Gunter. Superintendent Massey said that special offerings from the Sunday Schools could meet the Orphanage need.

M. P. L. Berry thought the expenses of the Orphanage are not uniform through the year, not necessitating equal sums each month. Dr. Cox' motion was lost.

Report on Education

M. P. L. Love reported for the Committee on Review of the Report on Education. The report recommends close economy. Approves the service of Dr. Gunter as Acting Secretary of the Education Commission. Propaganda by all educational forces. Campaign for endowment is needed but not opportune now. Approve 29% for education next year. Ask the Commission to refund the debt of \$55,000 and that they be authorized to increase it to not exceeding \$75,000. This limitation does not hinder borrowing

to meet bonded indebtedness.

H. L. McLaurin reported 73 graduates this year and 295 students at Clarke College. Over 200 former students are now teaching, and 75 graduates are now going to senior colleges. In spite of more junior colleges the attendance at Clarke continues to increase. Number of ministerial students is less this year, only 14 this year.

Dr. L. T. Lowrey spoke of the Southern Baptist Education Commission, which is concerned about the spiritual ideals in the schools. Teachers' Bureau discontinued. Publicity work is about all that is left for them to do. People need to know the needs of the colleges.

Dr. J. L. Johnson spoke very briefly about the work of the Woman's College, and Dr. Provine of Mississippi College.

Dr. W. T. Lowrey spoke in the interest of Ministerial Education. W. M. Whittington, president of the Education Commission, said he spoke by request. Our educational institutions are on a sound basis every way. Interest in Christian Education is on the increase. The Commission several years ago recommended that the schools present annual budgets and adhere to them. (W. A. Sullivan raised the question as to its being observed.) The Commission hopes for a more favorable time for a campaign for endowment.

As to uniformity of salaries among presidents of the colleges: Some details must be left to the control of trustees, but the Commission has sought uniformity. Dr. D. M. Nelson was highly commended for his work. He retired from the office of Secretary a few months ago. Since he began his work our colleges have been standardized, endowment being greatly increased. At Mississippi College two large buildings have been erected besides a small hospital. Good and commodious buildings have been erected at the other colleges. Great progress has been made in the whole educational field. The denominational

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SEMINARY NOTES

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Seminary Hill, Texas

The members of the Mississippi Club of Seminary Hill recently enjoyed a happy evening together in a social at Forest Park. About thirty-five students and their families, with Professor L. A. Myers, Professor W. A. Hancock, and Dr. N. R. Drummond and their families, comprised the party. All of these send greetings to their friends back in Mississippi.

There are facts of interest about many of our number, but only the following may be mentioned at this time:

Brother Barney Thames has recently been called to pastor a progressive church at Comanche, Oklahoma. Brother Thames is doing graduate work in the Seminary, going to and from his church each week.

Brother D. W. Parker has accepted a call to pastor the Petal Baptist Church at Petal, near Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Brother Parker has been three years a student here, and our best wishes and prayers go with him to his new field.

Brother E. L. Douglas is doing good work as leader of the Seminary mission activities in the city of Fort Worth. Mississippi students take an active part in all phases of this great work.

Brother N. L. Roberts, president of the Mississippi Club, is pastoring one half-time church. He expects to graduate next summer.

The Southwestern Seminary is a great school for any religious worker, if he expects to locate anywhere in the West or Southwest, as this school is designed to meet the needs of the great growing population of the open spaces. The need everywhere west of the Mississippi River for preachers and other religious workers is urgent. We recommend to Mississippians who have been called of God to labor in His vinyard the Southwestern Seminary.

—Mark Lowry, Reporter

PASTORS' AND LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE AT MERIDIAN

By the Editor

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go up to the house of the Lord". "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad". These were the scripture passages with which the Pastors' and Laymen's Conference opened Monday night in Meridian. The devotional service was conducted by Rev. W. C. Hamill of Handsboro, who also selected the old hymns. "Children of the Heavenly King" was sung to the old tune of our grandfathers. Brother W. E. Hardy also led in singing "Amazing Grace". The auditorium of the First Church was filling up. Scripture quotations came from over many parts of the house. Dr. W. A. McComb led in prayer. "Arise, My Soul, Arise" was sung; then "What Wondrous Love Is This".

A glance at the congregation seemed to show a preponderance of preachers, with a good company of women. The program seemed also suited to preachers' needs and interests. Rev. A. S. Johnston of Mt. Olive called for nominations for president and secretary. Brother Johnston was elected to preside and J. H. Gunn to be vice-president, and W. G. Mize as secretary.

The first speaker on the program was Dr. W. W. Hamilton of the Baptist Bible Institute. His subject was "The Preacher's Prayer Life". He spoke in the introduction with great feeling of the all night prayer meeting held in this room during the revival meeting held here several years ago when Dr. Hackett was present and Dr. Shipman was pastor. He spoke also of the missionary work of the B. B. I. students in New Orleans without charge, but which would cost any board \$40,000 a year. He said praying means more in a preacher's life than preaching and working. The greatest temptation of preachers is professionalism. Even praying tends to become mechanical and perfunctory. Prayer is not only an act, it is an attitude. It would be grievous if our children never spoke to us except to ask something. Prayer is realizing the relationship between father and child. Not all may become great preachers or leaders but prayer is open to every one of us. None can prevent our praying and it can be done anywhere. The times for preaching and other work are limited but not so with prayer. Do this when you can't sleep at night. Then you may make a missionary trip around the world. He told of a great doctor in New Orleans who always prayed at his work. It is difficult to pray. We must know something to pray effectively. It requires the cleanest and purest affections. He can't love the world or self and be a great prayer. We must love God supremely to pray. The preacher must be as clean in soul as the surgeon is in his person and instruments. There must be no place in our hearts which is not open to Jesus. Prayer links us up with the power of God. Prayer is equal to any emergency, in any phases of our life.

Dr. Davis of the Louisville Seminary substituted for Dr. Sampey and spoke on "What Is Central In Our Preaching". He took occasion to say a word about the Seminary, whose enrollment is now about 400, and will probably reach 450. Among them are some excellent men from Mississippi. There are 28 from Mississippi who sent their love to the folks back home. He read a part of Paul's speech on Mars Hill (Acts 17). Paul was before the most intellectual group of men in the ancient heathen world. Dr. Davis read the address, giving luminous interpretations as he went on. And then he contrasted Paul's methods at Corinth with that employed at Athens. In Corinth he decided not to know anything except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

Tuesday Morning

The enthusiasm of our hosts must have exceeded all bounds, for the "b'iler busted" at First Church, so that the heating plant was put out of commission at the first meeting of the preachers and laymen. On this account the meeting this morning is in the Fifteenth Ave. Church build-

ing. Brother W. G. Mize started us off with "We're Marching To Zion". Pastor L. B. Golden of Shelby conducted the devotional, reading part of the first chapter of Acts. He emphasized the truth that the one need of our people is the endowment of power by the anointing of the Holy Spirit. The disciples in that era of beginnings were sent forth and were victorious over all difficulties. We need the Spirit of God in every task that has been assigned us today.

Dr. W. E. Farr discussed the question, "Should Preachers Steal From One Another". He said a preacher ought to be honest; if not he has no place in the ministry. Churches ought to set the example of honesty. One treasurer took \$1,400 of mission money and paid a church debt. Another took \$400 out of mission money and put it on church building. These people have no right to complain of Carnes. Another church treasurer took \$700 from mission funds to start a church building. Dr. Gunter has brought to light things of this kind by publishing what each church in the state is giving to missions. Other examples of dishonesty were adduced. The preacher is responsible for the funds being honestly handled in his church. The speaker condemned the custom of some churches to take money contributed to the evangelist and pay other church obligations. The remedy for this abuse is to have two treasurers in the church, one for local funds and the other for other funds, keeping absolutely separate accounts.

Others who discussed this subject were Dr. Marriner, W. W. Kyzar, J. M. Walker, M. J. Derrick, S. J. Rhodes, J. A. Taylor. All agreed that such cases of dishonesty are unusual, but proper precautions are due our people and the cause of Christ.

Pastor T. W. Green of Newton discussed the question, "Are Preachers Afraid to Preach Tithing?" First, do preachers believe in tithing; second, do they practice tithing. Some preachers do not believe in it. First convince them that it is taught in the Bible, including the New Testament. There is no indication in the New Testament that tithing was annulled, but everything to encourage it. Jesus included tithing in the things that ought to be done. If Jesus believed in it, we ought to do so and to preach it. In all fairness to the Lord preachers ought to get themselves straight on this matter. Study the Bible and pray till we all see alike. A majority of preachers do tithe. They are the best givers. Only tithers can preach it.

Are preachers afraid to preach it? The speaker could not answer. Many seem to be afraid. We ought not to be afraid. Preachers ought to be the bravest men in the world. They need it more than others. We ought to preach it because the word of God rings clear on it. Nobody is injured, but everybody blessed by tithing. Kingdom causes need the whole tithe. This is the only perfect plan for financing God's work. There are some hindrances to preaching it. Among these we face a congregation the majority of whom do not practice it. Another is that we sometimes follow pastors who have opposed it.

Further discussion was by Pastor Posey of Itta Bena, who said all the first disciples were Jews who had been taught to tithe, and nothing was ever said to them or by them about discontinuing it. Jesus expected it. Tithing and free will offerings are the honest standard of Christian giving. The proper standard is how much is left when you have given your tenth.

Rev. Owen Williams of Utica said some preachers thought that stewardship was a better conception than tithing. Pastor Boston of Winona thought we should begin with stewardship, which includes tithing. J. P. Kirkland said any man who has a genuine experience of grace and will get on his knees will have no difficulty with tithing. He was raised a hardsell and had to learn this duty some years after he began preaching. Pastor D. Y. Youngblood said most preachers have courage to preach anything about

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Editorials

WHAT SORT OF CONVENTION?

Many an asking the messengers returning from the State Convention at Meridian, "What sort of Convention did you have?" and probably not all have answered in the same language or the same tone of voice. Here we record such impressions as our mind brought away.

In the first place we never saw people keep in better humor. There were moments when everybody was tense. Then other times when there were earnest and honest differences of opinion, but they were not only expressed courteously and fraternally, but the faces of people were lighted with smiles. This was especially noticeable late Wednesday night when the subject of apportionments was under discussion. A humorous story was appreciated by everybody and helped a tense situation. Somebody said, "We be brethren, let there be no strife between us and thee and between my herdmen and thy herdmen".

Another feature of the Convention was that it was a business meeting, for grave consultation and conference about matters vital to the kingdom work. It was not a convention of speech making. There were very few long speeches. In some cases they were limited by motion to three minutes, and it turned out that all that was actually necessary could be said in a short time. It was a business session in that detailed matters of business were brought into the convention and not left so much to boards and committees. The Convention was invited to attend to its own business and not "leave it to George or to Smith" as the case might be.

We are not commending this method, nor condemning it. It is the privilege of the whole body to take in hand the business of any board when it sees fit, and it is sometimes certainly a wholesome thing to do. Authority resides in the whole body and must at times revert to the mass. But this has some disadvantages which we will have to reckon with. It will almost inevitably lead to a smaller attendance at the Convention. Perhaps this is why our attendance is not now larger. People are not generally interested in the details of business, nor expert in the handling of it. Another thing, it prevents any great tides of enthusiasm in our meetings. There was little if any impassioned appeal or soul stirring response in reference to any department of our work. It tends to become perfunctory. It may be still worth while to have a great missionary address. But little opportunity was given for anything like this.

It may be also said that it is difficult if not impossible for a mass meeting to determine properly the details of business. The effort was made to invade what has hitherto been the work of Boards and regulate matters of detail. The Convention has a right to do this and occasionally it ought to be done, but certainly it is a matter that needs to be handled with delicacy.

A subject that our people have been greatly concerned about is the apportionments, or ratio of distributions of the cooperative funds among the various objects. The situation was serious, and brethren were anxious to do the right thing by all of our work. There was difference of opinion as might be expected. But the final vote was practically unanimous. State objects get 55% and Southwide objects get 45% as last year. But State Missions was given a larger percentage, as also the orphanage. This gave the Jackson Hospital less and the Colleges less. But if the ten percent increase is made next year as it almost certainly will, no object will receive less in the aggregate than heretofore.

All realize that we need more time in our Convention, but nobody seems willing to give

it. Indeed some seem ready to go as soon as their special interest has been considered. But we are learning to work together, and everybody knows that we have always had a fine spirit of brotherhood in our work in Mississippi.

We had as fine presiding officers as it was possible to select. The brethren were delighted to honor Pastor L. G. Gates of Laurel by presenting him the Presidents chair, and Drs. B. H. Lovelace and Bryan Simmons as Vice-Presidents. Of course our efficient clerk, W. E. Lee was kept in office. And now for the best years work we have ever done for the Lord.

Dr. Solon B. Cousins has declined the office of Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

J. Henry Burnett, one of the secretaries of the Southern Baptist Convention goes from Murfreesboro, Tenn., to Macon, Ga.

Somebody said a few politicians are holding an Irish wake on the Mississippi coast, and brought the corpse along from New York.

Next week we expect to publish in full the sermon of Dr. L. G. Gates that all the people may know what a treat we had at the Convention.

It is a mighty good thing for a man to be endowed with a good sized backbone. But it is necessary for him to have a good sized development on top of the backbone.

We are sorry to hear of the very serious illness of Mrs. B. W. Spillman of Kingston, N. C., whose husband has rendered Southwide service for the Sunday School Board.

Pastor S. F. Lowe is preaching in a ten days meeting in his Fifteenth Ave. Church, Meridian. Singer P. S. Rowland, formerly with the Home Board is in charge of the music.

Another Jean Val Jean case has come to light. A man who has for many years been a model citizen in Alabama was arrested last week and returned to the North Carolina Penitentiary to serve a sentence for second degree murder, having escaped 14 years ago. He was so highly respected in his new home that the Alabama officers were unwilling to arrest him.

Pastor D. A. Youngblood writes that he has offered his resignation to the Fifth Ave. Church, Hattiesburg, after four years of happy work, effective Jan. 1st. He says this has been four of the gladdest years of his life and is grateful the Lord led him to this field. He gives up the work with love for all and having the love of all. He awaits the making known of the Father's will as to the future.

Oak Grove Church, Meridian, is building a new house, which will be paid for when they enter it. They have been fortunate in having architect's plans given them without charge, worth probably \$1,000.00. Also the bricks have been sold to them at cost of making them; and lumber furnished at wholesale price. And many laborers contribute their work. In this way they get a house valued at \$30,000 for \$22,000.

The Editor had the happy privilege Sunday to be with Pastor G. A. Smith and his people at Shady Grove Church near Vossburg. This organization has been in existence at the same place since 1845. They have had great preachers for this pastors. The occasion of this meeting was the election of two deacons, brethren J. E. Bounds and William Martin, both in the vigor of manhood and capable of great service. There were present representatives from the Heidelberg Church and possible others though the congregation was smaller on account of heavy rains. We were hospitably received into the home of Brother O. D. Lee and wife. He is a brother of J. W. and W. E. and that's saying a plenty.

The offering made at the Convention for the Orphanage was \$104.32.

A telegram from Dr. J. R. Sampey received on Monday afternoon says, "Dr. Mullins gradually failing; no reasonable hope for recovery."

We are sorry that we were misled by information given us and published last week in the Record to the effect that Main Street Church in Hattiesburg had called a pastor. The church has not extended a call to anyone. We regret the mistake.

J. P. Williams, former president of our State Convention, writes: To the brotherhood of the Convention: Your message of sympathy and prayer was most gracious, and comforting to my spirit. I'm glad to say to you that I am recuperating and not out of the game yet, D. V. May our Father's richest blessings rest upon each one of you. Yours in Christian love.

Mr. George Burnett, Associate Secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South spent three days recently with Calvary Church in Jackson advising with them in planning their budget. As a result of the work they have arranged to pay to the Cooperative work of the denomination every week next year the sum of \$200.00; also to pay to their building fund \$350.00 a week and to the current expense fund \$350.00 a week.

From Dr. G. J. Rousseau, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., there has come a copy of a letter from the officers of the First Methodist Sunday School of that city, advising him that his school wanted the privilege of contributing its regular collection on Baptist Honor Day toward wiping out the loss sustained by the Home Mission Board. The letter was in fine spirit and contained check for \$77.68.

Pastor J. D. Franks of First Church, Columbus says their Sunday School enrollment is 1434, other figures recently published being a mistake. The Church has a membership of 1,470. There were 224 additions last year, 83 by baptism. The present membership is 829 over that of seven years ago. More than Eleven hundred have been received during Dr. Franks' pastorate, about 500 of these by baptism. Their are 130 College girls in the membership.

Pastor N. G. Hickman ordained new deacon at Liberty Hill Church, Panola County recently. The sermon was preached by Brother J. W. Lee. We understand the church has recently built Sunday School rooms and named them in memory of Brother H. L. Johnson, for a long time pastor there. Deacons were also ordained recently at Pilgrims Rest Church in the same county and Brother J. M. Metts of Water Valley preached the sermon.

Through the gift of a devoted Christian woman, a piece of land has been purchased on the Mount of Olives, facing Jerusalem, and has been donated to the well known Travel Institute of Bible Research. This is the first piece of land to be owned on the Mount of Olives proper by a Protestant Church Organization. It borders the traditional site of Christ's weeping over Jerusalem and is but a few minutes' walk East of the Brook Kidron, and above the Garden of Gethsemane.

The Churches are now preparing their budgets for another year. It will involve but little more labor or expense to include the Baptist Record in the budget, and the paper will tell you about all the objects included in the budget. It will make the difference between working in the light and working in the dark. It means giving intelligently and cheerfully. If the pastor or some other member will handle it tactfully it is easily done. The smaller the church the easier it ought to be. And now remember when it goes to 90 percent of the families, it goes at half price.

Pastor R. B. Patterson has with him this week in a revival meeting Dr. G. W. Ellers of Kentucky.

It gives me great joy to learn the church at Ackerman has called Bro. D. L. Hill of Fort Worth for their pastor. Bro. Hill is a young man with courage and ability and will make good.—A. T. Mitchell

Since Bro. Joe Canzoneri announced that he will be back in the evangelistic work beginning the first of January he has already made some engagements for Spring. He still has January and February open for meetings. His address is Clinton Blvd., Jackson, Miss.

Attention: Dear Brother Pastor—If you have received notice that your church subscriptions will expire in November or December 1928 please appoint a committee to make the canvass and get the revised lists back to us as early in the months as possible. If copies of subscription lists are desired drop us a card and we will send by return mail.

Pastor J. E. Wills writes: The meeting with the Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, was truly a great meeting. Dr. Hamilton's ministry was with power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit. Mr. Jeneson conducted the music in a helpful way and made it a blessing to our hearts. The Spirit of God was manifestly present throughout and much good was accomplished. There were fifty additions to the church, thirty-two for baptism and eighteen by letter. It was a meeting of great power and blessing, for which we are truly grateful to God.

TO CLERKS OF ASSOCIATIONS:

Please send me a copy of the Minute of the last meeting of your Association.

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ROUND-UP AND REPORT ON BAPTIST HONOR DAY

Arch C. Cree, Sec'y.

Baptist Honor Day, Sunday, November 11th, proved to be a perfect inspiration to a host of Southern Baptists. Pastor after Pastor, from all over Dixie, reports that there was much of the old-time fervor of a great revival in their Baptist Honor Day services. The passion of a great kingdom appeal, under the power of the Holy Spirit, kindled new fires of holy zeal in the hearts of God's children and toned them up spiritually in a wonderful way.

Some churches postponed the effort to a later Sunday on account of previously made plans. Other churches arranged to take a little more time to round up their offerings. Therefore, it is impossible to make anything like a definite report yet. However, the returns so far reported are most encouraging from nearly every state. It is evident that the response has been both general and generous.

Finally, Brethren, please complete the collections right away. Please report the results and forward the funds promptly to your state mission secretary. Remember this great thing was to be done as nearly as possible IN ONE DAY. It was to be an extra, sacrificial gift and not to subtract in the least from our support of the regular work. Therefore, we should close it NOW and gird ourselves anew for another and even a richer joy in sacrificial experience as we approach the privilege of participating in

THE CHRISTMAS THANK OFFERING

Convention Board Department

R. B. Gunter, Corresponding Secretary

Mississippi Baptists Have A Program

There should be at some season of the year a time during which the churches of the state should meet together in representative body for the purpose of formulating plans for carrying on the work of the Kingdom. Such Convention was held in Meridian on November 13-15. The representatives from the churches agreed upon a plan of work for the year 1929. THIS IS OUR PROGRAM FOR NEXT YEAR.

The program recommends an increase of 10% over gross receipts for last year. That means a 10% increase over the Cooperative Contributions plus the designated gifts. The gross receipts for the closing year amounted to \$327,000.00-plus. The 10% increase will make our goal for next year for Cooperative work \$360,000.00. To arrive at the goal for each church a statement should be made by the treasurer showing the total contributions for the past year. Then the budget for Cooperative work will be 10% more than that amount. Each individual can easily increase the contributions for the past year by 10%.

The time for making pledges as previously announced was the first Sunday in November. It is desired that churches will complete subscriptions at as early a date as possible and report to G. C. Hodge, Jackson, Mississippi. Success is always more certain when these matters are taken hold of with vigor and with determination to complete the work at the earliest date possible. Pledge cards have been sent to all church clerks for the canvass.

Let Us Stand By The Cooperative Program

We trust that no participating interest will break rank. The Convention has expressed, after much deliberation, its convictions with reference to next year's work. It should be con-

Those who are given to insisting that the way to Christianize the world is to merge the various religious bodies into one, with an arbitrary and irresponsible hierarchy governing it, are on the wrong trail. It is democratizing and purifying that the Churches need. Out of liberty and purity only can come that spiritual unity for which Christ prayed in His great intercessory prayer.
—So. Methodist.

There is not a real Baptist in America who would object, for one moment, to any Roman Catholic exercising his religion to the utmost. It is surely religious for the Pope to pray but it is not religious for him to try to be a temporal sovereign and wear a crown. Baptists do not like crowns anyway. It would be a great day for the world if the Roman hierarchy would resolve to stick to religion. The Roman hierarchy will never again be able to confuse the issue and render people blind to the fact that the hierarchy is an organization with two purposes instead of one.—Bap. Standard.

A Community Celebration of the Bunyan Tercentenary was held on Wednesday evening, Nov. 14th, at the City Library, New Bedford, Mass., under the auspices of the New Bedford Council of Churches and the New Bedford Bible Society. Dr. William H. Matthews, General Secretary of the American Tract Society, who made two visits to the Bedford Country, England, and has written many articles on Bunyan, was the speaker of the evening. Nearly all of the ministers of New Bedford are preaching a series of sermons on Bunyan, Old Bedford, and "Pilgrim's Progress." New Bedford was named after "Bunyan Town."

sidered a breach of Christian ethics for any participating interest to go beyond the recommendations of the Convention because every interest as well as every member had an opportunity of expressing a conviction, and according to the policy of the Baptist Denomination, a majority vote determines the course of action. The best way to assure an adequate support for every interest and every member without complaint to give his best for the success of the work as outlined by the Convention. The program was not one man's work, but was the result of deliberation and a careful consideration of all participating interests.

The program as adopted by the Convention, while planning definitely for the Cooperative work, also made provision for special days in the Sunday Schools. Home and Foreign Mission Day will be observed as heretofore and the offerings on those days will go for those objects. Orphanage Day will be Mother's Day. The offerings made on that day will go for the support of the orphan children. Christmas Thank Offering Day, December 3rd, will give opportunity for free will offerings to the Southwide interests. State Mission Day in the Sunday Schools in September will give opportunity for contributions to State Missions. It is believed that by putting our best into the Cooperative Program and by giving emphasis on these special days for additional offerings that every cause can be provided for. It is, therefore, important that we give our most loyal support to the program as adopted by the Convention if we would succeed and supply the needs of every interest. We trust that the coming year may be one during which the action of the Convention may be carried out to the letter and that the most loyal support ever had may be in evidence from beginning to end.

The membership of Central Church, McComb, gave \$26.57 per capita for all objects during the year just closed. Besides this the ladies gave over \$300.00.

Senatobia Baptists expect to get into their new church by the first of January. A pipe organ will be installed, donated by Mr. V. P. Wait, and costing \$4,500.

That was a good peace movement for President-elect Hoover to make a visit to the countries of South America just after the election. A sample of good sense.

Several villages in Sicily have been submerged with lava flowing from the volcanic eruption of Mt. Aetna in the past week. Thousands of people are homeless and millions in property destroyed.

Bro. W. H. Taylor presented to the church last Wednesday evening seven shares of stock in the Avondale Building and Loan Association, of Birmingham, Ala. This stock bears interest at 7 per cent, annually. As long as Bro. Taylor lives the interest is to go to the regular budget of the church as his pledge to the budget. After his death the income from this stock will be divided between the fund for the poor of the church and foreign missions, in the ratio 5 to 2. Thus our brother has arranged to witness for his Master as long as time shall last. It is a beautiful gift of which this church becomes the trustee with thanks to Bro. Taylor and with gratitude to God. Bro. Taylor has also pledged \$250.00 to the Building Fund.—Bulletin of First Church, Columbus.

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which they have a deep conviction. Some of them do not have a deep conviction. People who make more ought to give large offerings in addition to the tithe. W. E. Farr says it does take more to preach to wealthy people who refuse to tithe. A banker who began tithing Jan. 1 recently said he had had the most joyous experience of his life. He was told by his people once not to preach on tithing, and answered by preaching on it five Sundays in succession and 57 were converted to it. W. H. Thompson of Port Gibson said that the motive of love ought to control our giving. Don't let the law supplant the gospel motive.

Dr. J. C. Greenoe of Vicksburg spoke on "Financing The Church". The every member canvass is the best method he knows. The budget must be emphasized. Financial education is more necessary than missionary education. Money represents a man's life. Prayer for financial success is as necessary as praying for a revival. Ninety per cent of the money comes from regular attendants, those spiritually developed. Canvassers ought to be instructed and rehearse their parts. If we give proportionately, the tenth is the only scriptural conception.

Pastor T. W. Talkington asked how to get the returns from the cards handed out. Answer was made that it was necessary to follow up the canvass. Brother Owen Williams said there are two ways in which we fall down. One is in not finishing the job. The other is not keeping up with delinquents. Rev. Bryan Simmons said that in his country churches they had all day services with dinner on the ground the day the canvass was made. A layman said he made it his business to see every member, and if they didn't give enough to ask them for more. One man can sometimes do more than half a dozen. Dr. B. G. Lowry said there is a close connection between the tithe and financing the church. Attention to that solves all the other problems. Pastor M. J. Derrick of Vicksburg said it is necessary for the preacher to have genuine convictions on the matter of Bible finances. Pastor C. E. Bass said the treasurer of the church has the heavy responsibility on the matter of finances. He must be a man of God who is willing to give his time to the work. Pastor J. J. Mayfield of Canton said we ought honestly to answer what is my tithe. Some people tithe only what is left. Dr. Owen asked if dues in other organizations could be taken out of the tithe. The answer was that the tenth should be brought to God's treasury. Pastor Roper said his church is trying to develop the voluntary spirit and not corkscrew the money out of the people. They are asked to come to the church and make their pledge to the committee instead of having the committee run them down. The volunteers are increasing in numbers, it lessens the work of the committee and conforms to the scriptural idea.

Mrs. Walker, soloist for the Fifteenth Ave. Church, sang a beautiful song, accompanied by Mrs. Martin on the piano.

Dr. J. D. Franks was called upon on short notice to speak on "The Evangelistic Note in the Pastor's Life". It should be the dominant note. The love note is the winning note. It should be constant. It should be in every message. There should be disappointment when results are not visible. It should characterize all the activities of the church. It should be personal in the pastor's life. People that are spoken to personally will listen to the sermon. This will give your best illustrations. This will give the preacher the shepherd's heart. It means tearful teaching. This will keep a pastor sweet under all provocation. It drives out laziness; makes one instant in season and out. It is better to have the doctor worrying about your over work than your deacons worrying about your not working. It will give the pastor entrance to the hearts of all the people. They will hear your message. Dr. Franks told of the joy and blessing that come from tent meetings held in his county for eight weeks last summer.

Pastor W. O. Green of Meadville made a vigorous talk on the need of personal work for the lost by our preachers, laymen and women.

Tuesday Afternoon

The service began with "My Faith Looks Up To Thee", led by Brother W. L. Compere. Brother C. C. Jones read the first two verses of Rom. 12, and spoke briefly on the necessity of consecration. We need today demonstration agents, to show the reality of the religion of Jesus. We must keep pace spiritually with all other forms of progress.

A subject which has been in the minds of many was brought up for discussion, namely, "Should Our Denominational Schools Charge for Tuition of Children of Active Pastors" was discussed by Rev. W. A. Sullivan.

Reasons for charging: 1. Pastors are as well able to pay as others. 2. They are not objects of charity. 3. Not to charge makes them paupers. 4. Discrimination. 5. To accept favors prevents just criticism. 6. Tends to

7. Pastors should pay to set examples of paying to our own schools. 8. Giving tuition would reduce the income of the colleges and render them inefficient. 9. Not to pay means for somebody else to pay. 1. Other institutions recognize the value of preachers and make reductions. 2. Pastors get less than they are entitled to and give much time to the denomination. 3. Pastors do more for schools than do others. 4. The average pastor is more capable than laymen and has spent more in preparation and gives much more money. 5. The pastor has given up all hope of gain, unlike a business man. 6. Many other denominational schools do not charge Baptist preachers. The general policy of Methodists and Presbyterians give preachers free tuition. Some give part. Examples were given from many schools.

Contrary to expectations this question did not elicit heated discussion. Some thought the Convention ought to pass on the question of colleges charging for tuition of preachers' children. Bro. Bryan Simmons did not favor any change in our present policy. But he called attention to the fact that while the colleges heeded the request of the Education Commission to charge tuition, but paid no attention to the other request that salaries paid to presidents and professors be equitably adjusted.

Dr. E. H. Marriner discussed the Pastors' Loyalty to the Denominational program. He said only a layman could do justice to this subject. This is a loyalty of voluntary relation and obligation. There is a loyalty of accident, by birth or location. Others' loyalty is based on compulsion, by shackles or moral suasion. Ours is based on choice, voluntary; like a wedding. We are not to be loyal simply when we are having our own way, or when things go according to our idea. The pastor is a leader. No man is fit to lead unless he knows how to follow. We must follow the Master. There will be many differences of opinion without having disagreement. A man has matrimonial dyspepsia whose wife disagrees with him. We can differ in means and methods, but not disagree on purposes and policies. Loyalty does not produce criticism. Support the program until you can correct it. We must stand together in victory or defeat. When the ship is sinking the rats desert it; but the captain and crew stick to it. Carnes knocked a big hole in the ship, but we had no notion of deserting the ship.

Pastor D. A. McCall spoke on the enlistment and development of our young people. Our young people have some things to do. They are able to do some things. Many of the world's great men had done their best work before forty or even thirty years of age. This is the period of greatest energy and courage. They need the control and leadership of strong minds. Brother J. M. Phillips spoke of the necessity of proper example to induce proper conduct among young people. A little "hickory tea" was recommended as a help to child training in the home.

A committee was appointed to prepare a program for next year, consisting of Dr. E. H. Marriner, D. Y. Youngblood and J. L. Johnson.

Announcement was made that the Meridian Star has a representative here to report for the Convention, and that messengers will get the paper without cost.

MEDITATIONS IN MARK

By J. L. Boyd

Mark 6:30-46.—It must have been a great experience for the twelve Apostles to be out alone, without Jesus, going two and two preaching "that men should repent", and healing the sick by the way. Who does not remember his first try-out? And the apprehension that lingered in our minds whether we accomplished any thing worth while for the Master! The Apostles, however, on returning "gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught." And to Jesus it must have been a sweet story of their labors and achievements. Weariness, too, was one of the compensations of their journey, the evidences of which, no doubt, were apparent upon their faces. For we hear Jesus saying, "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest awhile." They needed quietude, and so did he, "for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat." The popularity of Jesus had not abated; in fact, it was increasing the more, as time passed and his wonderful works increased. This coming and going was because of him, and too much of it was getting on his nerves, and of his disciples also. A little rest would do them good.

Jesus and the Twelve made an effort to get away privately by ship to a desert place, but the "people saw them departing and knew him". The ruse was not successful. He could not be hid, and to get away unobserved was out of the question. But to go direct across the sea would put them beyond the hurly-burly of this jostling crowd. There were not ships enough in the immediate vicinity to accommodate any appreciable number of them, so a hurried get-away across the waters of the Sea of Galilee would land them where they could rest awhile and reiterate the events of this missionary campaign.

But the people were not to be outdone, nor unwittingly deterred from their purpose of being with him. No sooner did they get the bearings of the boat that was carrying him away from them than they determined to be there when he arrived. So, on foot they ran thither around the head of the sea on the shore to the point of the embarkation of Jesus and the Twelve. As they ran, heralding the news of his departure, many others joined them "out of all cities" through which they passed; and when Jesus came out on the other side, he "saw much people" coming together unto him. Now, their little private outing party was broken up. Their plans had failed. What improprieties on the part of this excited multitude were here manifest! It is a shame that Jesus and his disciples cannot have a little privacy, and a bit of rest! But was he downhearted? No!

When he came up out of the boat, he was not enraged to see himself hemmed in by this eager populace. He was "moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things." The scribes and Pharisees and other religious teachers of the day were not in sympathy with Jesus. But, rather, they were up in arms against him, and these multitudes knew it. He did not teach as they taught, but the common people heard him gladly. With eagerness they hung upon his words, and resorted to him for the benevolent touch of his healing hands. And how he must have enjoyed this day out here in the desert place apart from the maddening crowds of the cities, and free from the scrutinizing gaze and ears of his bitter enemies! It was a day of uninterrupted teaching of the doctrines of his kingdom. The physical appetites were

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lost sight of in this feeding of the inner man by this King of the hearts of men from the spiritual bounties of the heavenly store. The day wore away. Jesus forgot to quit at dinner time, and the people didn't complain. In fact, we are persuaded that no one detected the lateness of the hour till the disciples came to Jesus and said, "The day is far spent; send them away, that they may go into the country and villages round about, and buy themselves somewhat to eat."

It was a critical hour—long past dinner time and nothing to eat! And here are these guests of Jesus who have so eagerly feasted on his words, who if reminded of their physical needs would feel the keenness of hunger before reaching home for their evening meal. He had compassion again, and said to the disciples, "Give ye them to eat." And he sent them scurrying through the crowd to find what food there was available. Jesus always uses what is available—even in me and in you, and of what we have—to accomplish his designs. May we ever be willing to submit it to him that it may be multiplied a thousand fold. Five loaves and two fishes were what they found, and with them Jesus makes a new departure. He feeds the multitude till "they all were filled"—five thousand men, ("beside the women and children"). And the disciples took up of the broken pieces of bread, twelve basketfuls, "and also of the fishes."

Wonder of wonders this! and the enthusiasm of the crowd went beyond all bounds. There was but one conclusion. He was the promised Messiah. Mark leaves to others the task of informing us of the effort to force Jesus to become King, but he indicates by his language that Jesus was in a strait betwixt two. For "straightway he constrained his disciples to get into the ship, and to go to the other side. While he himself sendeth the multitude away. And after he had taken leave of them, he departed into a mountain to pray." Was it true that he could not get them to leave the place, and he had to leave them there as he went up into the mountain? That seems to be the case. They were loath to leave the spot, and him, and he just "bade them adieu", departing into the mountain to pray. He must act, and pray quickly to the Father in this trying hour of temptation when an easy path was again set before him to wield a sceptre and wear a crown.

LEARNING OUR LESSON

A. J. Barton

The liquor forces wanted a National referendum on prohibition; they have had it and met their Waterloo. The triumphant election of Mr. Hoover and the crushing defeat of the Tammany wet nullification candidate, Governor Alfred E. Smith, are a most encouraging vindication of, and a most signal victory for, the right. The Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Law still remain and will remain. The Anti-Saloon League of America, the Women's Christian Temperance Union, the "political parsons" and all the moral and religious forces emerge unscathed by the vitriolic attacks and slanderous political charges hurled against them and will, in the future as in the past, come unitedly to the defense, perpetuation and promotion of the cause of sobriety and good government.

It is hoped that the Tammany politicians of New York City and of the South are impressed that the United States is broader than the "Side-walks of New York" and bigger than "East Side, West Side, All Around the Town". It is hoped that the spirit of rebellion against the government in New York and New Jersey will disappear and that these states will come into the Union. Prohibition will be enforced in the United States and one by one the civilized nations of the world will fall into line and abolish the legalized beverage liquor traffic.

The religious issue cut no serious figure in the campaign. Doubtless a great many voted against Governor Smith because he is a Catholic and because they regard Catholicism as a religio-political system desiring control of all civil govern-

A Church Program Based On Scripture

If God will not bless a sermon unless it is based on Scripture, and if God will not bless a song to the salvation of the lost unless it is based on Scripture, and if God will not bless a church unless her members have their faith based on Scripture, neither will God bless a church's program unless it is based on Scripture. It is essential for a church's program to be based on Scripture as it is for a minister's sermon to be based on Scripture.

The second command is the best Scripture we know on which a church can base her program. Jesus said: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second like unto it is this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy self. On these two commands the whole law hangeth and the prophets." (Mt. 22:37-40 A. V.) The second command for the Christian is "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thy self." God speaking to

ments. Doubtless many others voted for Mr. Smith because he is a Catholic. The latter vote included two classes—Catholic and others who were moved by his posing as a religious martyr and thought they must vote for him to show that they were not "religious bigots". The fact that most of the Southern States which constitute the most pronouncedly Protestant and evangelical section of the country, gave Governor Smith both their popular and electoral votes, shows clearly that the religious issue injected by the Tammany forces four years ago in Madison Square Garden did not control in these states.

The breaking of the "Solid South" is one of the most pleasing features of the election. Thus the South serves notice on the world that it will not continue to live in political bondage through a false regard for tradition and through a groundless fear and appeal to prejudice, racial or sectional, but that its soul shall be free, and that it will face and pass upon great moral issues on their merits.

The South, for the most part, has elected the Democratic Congressional, Senatorial, State and County nominees, even in the face and in spite of the intolerant and abusive attitude of many of them toward free American citizens who chose to exercise their inalienable civic rights and their political freedom and independence. But the course pursued by these politicians will make it very difficult for the rank and file of honest, courageous, independent Democrats to give these political leaders, who have pursued such a course, their undivided support, and it will not be strange if Southern Democracy shall feel that it will have to replace them with leaders of a truer and better type, leaders that it can trust on great moral issues.

It is particularly gratifying to note that Governor Smith's defeat is so sweeping that the Democratic party can easily, and doubtless will, take the party leadership from corrupt, liquor-soaked Tammany and its products, which have led it to the most humiliating defeat in its history. Smith and Raskob ought immediately to retire, and will do so if they have any proper sense of propriety, and let the moral and constructive forces of the party take control of the party destiny. So can the party be saved; otherwise it is doomed. A political party that either takes the wrong side of great moral questions, or allows itself to be led by those who do, is doomed. Surely the results of this election ought to teach the Democratic party this lesson, and surely the party will profit by the teaching—if it has the good sense to learn and the character to profit. Otherwise the Democratic party will pass to its doom, unwept and unsung. Atlanta, Georgia.

Stewardship Department

By G. C. Hodge, Director of Stewardship and Budget

"Every member of every church contributing every week to every cause, in proportion to his ability"

us through John tells that we cannot prove our love simply by saying we love but must prove our love by our actions. (1 Jno. 2:3-5). Jesus testified to the same fact in Matt. 7:20-23. "Action speaks louder than words" is as true in the life of a church as in the life of an individual.

If a church obeys the second command she will love her neighbor as herself. If she loves her neighbor as her self she will attempt to do as much for neighbor as for herself; she will in planning her program for the ensuing year, decide on what must be done for herself in order to please God, and then plan to do at least as much, if possible, for her neighbor.

I. FOR HERSELF. Some churches will have to do more than others in order to please God because their possibilities and opportunities are greater. Each church should therefore in view of her needs, opportunities and possibilities, make out her own program for the ensuing year and include in it everything the Holy Spirit leads her to include in it. Most churches will have to include at least the following items in their program for the ensuing year if they please God.

(1) Pastor (2) Denominational paper, (3) Janitor, (4) Fuel and light, (5) Supplies, (6) Repairs, (7) Insurance, (8) Conventions (Send the pastor and his wife to the Southern Baptist Convention, the State Convention, and the B. Y. P. U. & Sunday School Convention) (9) Church Auxiliaries (Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U.) (10) Incidentals, (11) Emergency fund.

By adding up the amount necessary for the support of each item in the program FOR HERSELF, the church will find the amount of money it will take to support her local work during the ensuing year, and will plan to do at least as much FOR HER NEIGHBOR, and thus prove that she loves her neighbor as herself and obeys the second command.

II. FOR HER NEIGHBORS. One's neighbor is not necessarily the one who lives next door to him. I know some people whose yard fence joins but they are not neighbors. They never speak to or help each other. They have no more to do with each other than if the ocean separated them. Location does not necessarily make neighbors of people. Jesus tells us in the parable of the Good Samaritan that one's neighbor is the one who needs his help whether he is across the fence, across the road, across the county, or across the world. The church's neighbors are: (1) Foreign Missions—millions in the foreign field who are dying without having even heard of Christ. (2) Home Missions—millions in the Home Fields who have never heard of Christ. (3) State Missions—millions in the state who are lost without God and without hope in the world. (4) Christian Schools—Every college student needs Christian teachers to teach them and are depending upon the churches to supply such teachers for them. (5) Aged Ministers—Hundreds who have given their lives proclaiming the gospel. (6) Orphans—Every orphan left to our care is dependant upon the churches to support him. (7) Christian Hospitals—The sick and suffering need Christian doctors and Christian nurses to wait on them and are depending on the churches to supply them. (8) Ministerial Education—Most of the ministers come from poor homes and many of them will not receive the proper preparation for the ministry without some help from the churches. (9) Local and Miscellaneous Missions—Missions in the county and the local community.

If the church obeys the second command she will, if possible, do as much for her neighbors as for herself (Matt. 22:39). If the church does not obey the second command she thereby proves that she does not love Christ. (1 Jno. 14:15)

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school must care for the moral development. We must at the same time give our boys and girls as good advantages in the Christian college as can be had elsewhere. The teacher is more important than the text book. The quality of the work is more important than the size of the student body. Education must begin in the home. In Mississippi no law forbids the reading of the Bible in the public schools. There ought to be a good church near every school.

M. P. L. Berry stated that a debt had remained for years on the Board of Ministerial Education. Last year only \$2,200 was received from all sources. The debt is now wiped out. Only rent of cottages is now given ministerial students. We have now fewer ministerial students than for many years.

W. A. Sullivan said he is ready to cooperate in any educational campaign; is in favor of the Education Commission and thinks its recommendations to the colleges ought to be carried out. He insisted on budgets being prepared and presented beforehand to the trustees. In closing he offered an amendment providing that the salaries and other compensation of the presidencies of senior colleges be stipulated and uniform.

Dr. W. T. Lowrey showed that the president of Blue Mountain College declined better salaries in other places to come to Blue Mountain; and he pleaded that the adjustment of these things be left to the Education Commission and the trustees of the colleges. The resolution was lost. But an amendment was adopted requiring the college presidents to present their budgets to the trustees two weeks before the opening of schools.

Adjourned at 5:20 P. M.

Wednesday Night

Brother D. Curtis Hall led the song service beginning with "Standing On The Promises" and then "Coronation". The Orphanage Glee Club sang very sweetly. Dr. R. L. Lemons of Blue Mountain led the devotional service, calling on Brother H. M. Whitten of Ackerman to lead the prayer. Luke 5:1 ff. was read, telling of the miraculous draft of fishes. Good nets alone are not enough. The presence of Jesus and obeying him are necessary to results—At thy command. Brother Gullett of Blue Mountain led the next prayer. Mr. Rosoff, converted Jew, sang the "Old Rugged Cross". Vice-President Lovelace is presiding.

Rev. J. L. Boyd of Magee made report for the Committee on Historical Research. Much work has been done, the material has been analyzed and classified with much labor. Many have assisted and it is hoped that others will. The Bible is largely history, showing God's estimate of its value. Request is made for continuance of the committee, and that a special committee be appointed to consider the question of publishing the manuscript of Dr. J. T. Christian on Mississippi history. A special amendment was adopted giving Bro. Boyd access to the manuscript of Dr. Christian.

A resolution authorizing the Hospital to issue bonds for more building was passed. A committee was authorized to consider the removal of the Orphanage.

Jackson College Glee Club was presented by President Dansby, who said the college began in 1877 in Natchez to train preachers and educate teachers. For more than fifty years it has been sending out leaders among the colored people. There are now 370 students. The Quartet sang "Going to Shout All Over God's Heaven". They were recalled and sang "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot". They received enthusiastic applause, and came back later for three songs.

Report on Review of the Convention Board was read by Dr. T. W. Young of Corinth. Profits of over \$6,000 came from the Press and Building and Book Store. Total contributions are \$450,000 for all purposes. The putting of the Record into 90% of the homes for half price was approved as a good investment. Other departments show

fine work. There have been 3 evangelists and 3 singers. Mission work in state schools is most important. Recommendations: (1) an increase of not less than ten per cent as the objective for this year; (2) a division of cooperative receipts 55% for state objects and 45% for southwide objects. Of the former 18% goes to state missions, 29% to Christian Education; 4½% to the Orphanage; 2% to Jackson Hospital; ½% to Memphis Hospital, and 1% to Ministerial Education; (3) W. M. U. specials to be left to them to be raised by themselves; (4) second Sunday in May be Orphanage Day in the Sunday Schools; (5) all offerings on special days be given to the special objects; (6) discourage giving to strange objects, and designated gifts; (7) Christmas love offerings be given to southwide objects as ordered by the Southern Baptist Convention.

D. W. Smith spoke for the evangelistic department. He said this is the primary work of Christ and his people. He told the story of the victory for Christ at Pass Christian in spite of persecution and all sorts of opposition.

Secretary A. J. Wilds made a silent speech by a chart. Brother J. E. Byrd allowed others to take his time and Mr. Berry of Tupelo expressed appreciation of Brother Byrd's 25 years of work in a commendatory resolution, which will appear later. Rev. J. D. Ray spoke his commendation. Dr. H. L. Martin asked a rising vote on the resolution and Dr. Gunter led in prayer. J. H. Pennebaker spoke for the student work in our state colleges. This work began five years ago at M. S. C. W. and has grown in favor. At the state schools are 970 Baptists. There were 23 conversions last year.

Dr. W. E. Farr said the putting of The Baptist Record into 137 Grenada homes has increased their spirituality and liberality.

Brother G. C. Hodge stressed love as the motive in stewardship. Stewards give to God and not merely to earthly objects. This will bring one to God's plan of financing. The Bible teaches that ministers of the gospel shall be supported in the same way as priests were in the temple. These were supported by the tithe.

Dr. T. W. Young of Corinth told of the practical value of the denominational program. Before this our work was chaotic. Now there is a way to get the money without endless appeals. It gives every individual a share. It deals fairly with all objects. It makes giving an act of worship. It is an appeal to intelligence. Every dime helps every cause.—Dr. Norman W. Cox said each department ought to try to see the interests of others. All our objects are members of the Baptist family.—M. P. L. Love spoke for retaining the present division of funds 55% in Mississippi and 45% to southwide objects. Dr. H. L. Martin plead for the 60-40 division. And here the speeches broke loose like Vesuvius. A three minute limit was put on speeches, and we stayed till it was drawing close to midnight. Amendments and substitutes came quick and fast. Finally the percentages were adopted as above, those recommended by the Convention Board.

Thursday Morning

Because of the meeting of committees the attendance at the opening this morning was small; due also possibly to the keeping of late hours last night. Brother Compere led in singing "Jesus Paid It All", and "The Morning Light Is Breaking". Pastor W. D. Wallace of Ellisville led the devotional, taking as the basis of his talk the scripture "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold". Jesus had all nations on his mind and heart, and purposed that the saved of every nation should be one in him.

The report of the Committee on Nominations is always regarded as important, and this time attracted unusual attention. The report was amended in some particulars and will be published later in the Record.

A resolution had been previously adopted expressing the opinion of the Convention that it is not expedient to put on a campaign within the next year for endowment and buildings for our

colleges. This was reconsidered and the Education Commission and Executive Committee of the Convention Board, with the Secretary, were authorized to provide for a campaign if it seemed to them expedient. Dr. Provine spoke of the hopeful prospect of securing liberal help.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next year recommended Nov. 12 at 7 P. M.; Canton as the place, and Pastor H. R. Holcomb of Tupelo as the preacher, with Dr. Lowe of Fifteenth Ave. Church, Meridian, as alternate.

Prof. I. E. Reynolds of the Southwestern Seminary told of the work of this great institution and read a paper on Church Music which by request will appear later in The Baptist Record. A message was read from President W. W. Hamilton of the Baptist Bible Institute, which by vote of the Convention will be published in the Record.

Dr. F. M. Purser called attention to the serious illness of Dr. Mullins and was requested to prepare a message of sympathy to be sent to Mrs. Mullins.

The Resolutions Committee reported favorably the following resolutions, which were adopted: Appreciation for the hospitality of Meridian, its churches, people, whole city and particularly the Meridian Star, which has given large space to reports of the Convention and furnished free copies of the paper to the messengers; also sympathy for Revs. I. A. Hailey, R. A. Venable and J. P. Williams, who were absent on account of sickness; also commendation of the Mission Secretary and the Editor of the Record. A resolution about filling vacancies on boards was deferred pending changes in the Constitution. A resolution about schools charging tuition for ministers' children was deferred till next year. A resolution about compensation to college presidents was tabled.

A telegram was received from Mississippi students at the Southwestern Seminary.

The W. M. U. report prepared by Miss Lackey was read by Brother Bryan Simmons.

The time was insufficient to report on Foreign Missions; was ably discussed by Drs. F. M. Purser, H. M. Harris, and T. F. McCrea, former missionaries in Brazil and China. Dr. Harris told of the marvelous growth of our work in China in recent years. Dr. McCrea told of the joylessness of heathen homes, the plagues and famines in China; his preaching on streets, in homes and shops and offices. Dr. Purser told of how the Foreign Board safeguards its finances, of the reduction in the debt, of sending no new missionaries for lack of money, only returning such former missionaries as are specially provided for; of stopping all building operations on the foreign field; and that Christian schools are needed there more than in the homeland.

A telegram from the Convention in New Mexico read. The harvest truly is plenteous but the laborers are few.

Home Missions was discussed by Dr. W. A. McComb of Gulfport, our representative on the Home Board. The brethren, or some of them, stayed till 1:30 P. M. to finish up the business and retire in good order.

Charles Smith, president of the Association for the Advancement of Atheism, was fined \$100 and sentenced to jail for three months, for blasphemy, for violation of the Arkansas law. He has been in Little Rock to oppose the enactment of a law against the teaching of evolution in state supported schools.

During the past week a School of Missions was held at the First Baptist Church of Oxford. There were four classes—one in the afternoon for children, one for young people, one for men, and one for women at night. Miss Fannie Traylor was here with us. She taught an interesting class of young girls. Books on Stewardship and Missions and one on Africa were taught by Dr. N. B. Bonds, Mr. Fred Levy, and Mr. F. M. Purser, the pastor. There was an average daily attendance of fifty-five.—Margaret McLure.

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East Mississippi Department

By R. L. Breland

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Miss Cecelia Dursherl, of the
State BYPU Department, was with
the Church at Oakland, Yalobusha
County, the second Sunday and did
good service in getting the Union
there under way again. She is a
splendid worker.

Sorry to miss attending the State
Convention last week on account of
sickness in my family. Glad to see
such unity of spirit and purpose ex-
isting among the brethren. All to-
gether now for the greatest year of
work that we have ever known.

I am reading an old issue of "Vir-
ginia Baptist Preachers" that was
at one time the property of Rev.
John C. Martin who lived in Yalo-
busha County many years ago; in
fact he has been dead more than
half a century. The name of the
author of this book is not given as
the title page is torn out. In it is
given brief sketches of more than
a hundred of the pioneer Baptist
faith in the Old Dominion. Among
them I note the name of Luther
Rice, Rane Chastain (wonder if re-
lated to our Chastain), David Rop-
er, Benjamin Watkins, John Waller
and others. It is quite an interest-
ing old volume.

Speaking of Baptist History re-
minds me of the work being done
along this line by the Baptist Re-
search Committee of the Mississippi
State Baptist Convention. The com-
mittee has not gotten very far yet
but has found some very interesting
facts connected with our great de-
nomination in this state that will
make interesting reading when put
in proper form. It needs the help
of all Baptists to make this collec-
tion complete and then to have it
arranged in permanent and conven-
ient form. The secretary of the
Committee, Rev. J. L. Boyd, has the
material on hand well arranged and
indexed ready for reference and

The Orphanage Signal

"Thanksgiving Cars."

Don't forget to make your offer-
ing and to place your supplies in the
Depot on the 26th and 27th of this
month. Mark all packages to the
"Mississippi Baptist Orphanage,"
Jackson, Miss., "Charity".

All roads furnish free transpor-
tation, with the exception of the
Southern, which allows one-half
rate. Let us make this the largest
supply that ever came to the Or-
phanage, and don't forget your
Thanksgiving offering to the Or-
phanage. Make sure that your
Church and Sunday School has a
chance to make an offering to the
Orphanage.

I have mailed out a number of
small Christmas Stockings, to be
used in your Thanksgiving offernig.
Give the children a chance and they
will get them filled. If you need
more Stockings write me at once.

"Wanted"

A first-class Mechanic and Wife.
Qualifications: He must be able to
do Plumbing, Electrical, Machine
and Carpenter work. With a rea-
sonable education, a devout christian,
capable of assisting in the religious
activities of the Home.

His wife must be able to take the
position as Kitchen Matron, whose
duty is to supervise the preparation
of vegetables, cooking, and Dining
Hall work. She also must have a
reasonable education, refined, and a
devout christian worker. They must
be without children or other encum-
brance.

"Remarks"

I wish to express my profound ap-
preciation to the Baptist of Missis-
sippi for their hearty cooperation
and sympathy through this years
efforts.

We have reached a stage now in
our improvements that they are be-
ginning to show.

We have our heating plant in-
stalled, our new Cook Stove, the

placed in one of the rooms of the
Baptist Building at Jackson. I hope
that you will look over the list of
missing associational minutes found
in last week's issue of the Record,
and look up the missing numbers
and send to Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Jack-
son, Miss., as soon as practicable.
See how soon we can have all of
them complete.

It is related of Rev. John A. Dav-
idson, an old Virginia Baptist preach-
er that in his dying hours he re-
peated with peculiar emphasis the
following verse:

"Jesus can make a dying bed
Feel soft as downy pillows are;
While on His breast I lean my
head,
And breathe my life out sweet-
ly there."

At this writing Dr. E. Y. Mullins
is seriously ill at Louisville, Ky.

Home furnished comfortably, a Pub-
lic School established and all the
children in the County Public School.

I have attempted at all times to
keep you informed as to our needs
and progress, and it has been mar-
velous how readily you have re-
sponded.

I realize that I have made many
mistakes this year in my first years
experience in this Institution. Yet
at all times I have tried to keep the
children foremost in every effort.
Realizing these facts, causes me to
appreciate the more your sympathy
and cooperation. So, may we look
forward to the greatest year in the
history of the Institution.

I especially want to express my
appreciation to the Baptists of Me-
ridian, for their royal treatment of
our girls at the Convention. The
opportunity of attending the Con-
vention was a great source of in-
formation and education for the
children.

B. F. Massey, Supt.

RAILROADS AND THE PUBLIC

The average person is to some ex-
tent hostile towards railroad com-
panies, often declaring them heart-
less. We have a copy of a letter
from the officials of the I. C. Rail-
road, received by Mr. E. P. Russell.
It reveals the real heart and attitude
of these officials towards service.

My experience with the railroads
operating in Mississippi has been
very pleasant indeed, finding them
at all times courteous and going to
their limit to accommodate.

The letter gives direction to all
agents of the I. C., the Y. and M. V.
and the G. and S. I. railroads in
Mississippi to handle promptly and
without charge all shipments in-
tended for the Thanksgiving offering
of Mississippians intended for the
Orphanages in Jackson. This has
been the rule in past years and the
railroads are equally generous this
year.

The attending physicians hold out
little hope of his recovery. The
passing of Dr. Mullins will take
from our midst one of the greatest
Baptists of the century. He was
born in this state and we are justly
proud of our native son. For more
than a quarter of a century he has
been president of The Southern Bap-
tist Theological Seminary located at
Louisville, Ky., and under his wise
and efficient leadership it has grown
by leaps and bounds, and today it
is the largest institution of its kind
in the world. Dr. Mullins will die
sooner or later but the influence of
his great life will never die. He will
live on and on in the lives of the men
and women he has part in training
for a useful and greater life. Those
sent out by this seminary are now
doing business for the Master in all
parts of the civilized world. We
can ill afford to lose such men as
Dr. Mullins but the great and good
must die as well as others.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE TRUSTEES

Terms to Expire 1929

J. M. Dampeer.....Crystal Springs
E. R. McCullough.....Hattiesburg
Bryan Simmons.....Learned
W. A. Sullivan.....Natchez
J. F. Williams.....Mendenhall

Terms to Expire 1930

J. W. Mayfield.....McComb
Webb Brame.....Yazoo City
H. G. Price.....McComb
T. W. Green.....Newton
F. M. Coleman.....Jackson

Terms to Expire 1931

H. E. Moffet.....Jackson
O. B. Taylor.....Jackson
P. M. B. Self.....Marks
W. E. Farr.....Grenada
R. L. Bedwell.....Yazoo City

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

TRUSTEES

Terms to Expire 1929

W. H. Vanlandingham.....West Point
Mrs. Emma Armstrong.....Louisville
J. T. Sucin.....New Albany
Mrs. Drucilla King.....New Albany
E. N. Hawkins.....Corinth

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B. E. Ray.....Corinth
J. W. Berry.....Tupelo
M. E. Leake.....Tupelo
C. E. Emmerson.....Hernando
A. A. Graham.....Blue Mountain

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Mrs. Clara Powell Trussell
.....Chalybeate
C. S. Longino.....Clarksdale
W. B. Clummer.....Ripley
J. P. Kirkland.....New Albany
Mrs. Ira Richey Carpenter
.....Starksville

CLARKE COLLEGE TRUSTEES

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Sam Russell.....Hickory
Cliff Williams.....Meridian
Jeff Kent.....Forest
Tom Wright.....Kewanee
S. C. Lackey.....Forest

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W. W. Kyzar.....Philadelphia
T. N. Wilson.....Newton
W. S. Majure.....Newton
W. N. McLemore.....Union
W. N. Sansing.....Newton

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J. C. Richardson.....Poplarville
W. L. Meadows.....Morton
Mrs. W. D. Cook.....Forest
W. D. Cole.....Philadelphia
W. W. James.....Newton

WOMAN' SCOLLEGE TRUSTEES

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Goode Montgomery.....Laurel
Joe A. Burris.....Liberty
Ellis Hickman.....Hattiesburg
W. A. Hewitt.....Jackson
L. O. Crosby.....Picayune

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T. S. Jackson.....Hattiesburg
J. L. Nixon.....Hattiesburg
J. P. Culpepper.....Poplarville
Mrs. A. J. Aven.....Clinton
J. C. Rimes.....Tylertown

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A. Polk.....Hattiesburg
E. H. Marriner.....Hattiesburg
T. E. Ross.....Hattiesburg
J. M. McWilliams.....Hattiesburg
J. E. Byrd.....Mt. Olive

TRUSTEES OF MINISTERIAL

EDUCATION

Terms to Expire 1929

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OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Which we love and cherish as a means of education for all children; which has been and is one of the principal bulwarks of our national civilization is in imminent danger. As 83 I would voluntarily enlist for "three years of the war", again "shoulder arms" in defence of this principles of justice to all, and that each human being may worship God as he may desire or his conscience dictate, without fear of harm or molestation. That he may worship an idol, animate or inanimate, if he chooses to do so. Therefore, I have no quarrel with any because of his religious faith or practice unless he infringe the equal right of others.

The right to think and act voluntarily is the logical starting point of liberty. The gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, teaches the right of individual thought and action, without which there can be no personal responsibility.

It points man to the exercise of personal faith, or belief, without regard to that of any other man in order to justification and eternal life. Any system of government, political or religious, that denies the right of each subject to think and act for himself, is unjust, undemocratic, unscriptural and tyrannical; and must culminate in ignorance, superstition, serfdom and slavery to the governed.

"The true purpose of civil governments is to preserve individual rights; and the just power or authority of civil governments are derived from the consent of the governed."

All Catholics owe supreme allegiance to a foreign potentate, the Pope of Rome, who claims divine right to arbitrarily rule the world religiously and politically and would, inevitably, be influenced by said Pope in his presidency over the governmental affairs of the United States.

We judge persons and organizations by their verbal and written statements, declarations and actions. "Ye shall know them by their fruits." So said our Saviour and our Lord Jesus Christ. Mat. 7:16.

My belief that our public schools would be endangered should a Catholic be elected, is based upon the animosity and active enmity on the part of the Roman Catholic Church, as evidenced by the following expressions of hatred and opposition, quoted from official authorities and editors of the Roman Church. These quotation I copy mostly from "Errors of the Roman Catholic Church", a book published by J. H. Chambers & Company, St. Louis, Mo., 1894.

"The hideous fetich, called the Public school is only an ugly idol after all."—Colorado Catholic.

"We would rather our children should grow up in utter ignorance of letters than be taught in a school that is not Catholic."—Catholic Quarterly Review.

"The common school system of the United States is the worst in the world."—Cardinal Manning.

"I frankly confess that the Catholics stand before the country the enemies of the public school."

—Father Phelan.

"I do not consider that we are doing our duty as American citizens to ourselves or our children, in permitting such a system of public schools to exist as we have today."

—Prof. Dunne, Jesuit University, Washington, D. C.

"The American school system is a national fraud, a social cancer, presaging the death of national morality and the sooner destroyed the better. It will be a glorious day for the Catholics in this country when, under the blows of justice and morality, our school system shall be shattered to pieces."—Catholic Telegraph.

"The common schools of this country are sinks of pollution and nurseries of vice."—Chicago Tablet.

"The public schools have produced nothing but a Godless generation of thieves and blackguards."—Priest Schaner.

"Education outside of the Catholic church is a damnable heresy."—Syllabus Pope Pius IX, in 1864; articles 45-48.

"The public schools are nurseries of vice and the future of the Catholic religion in this country is bound up with the exclusion of all schooling not under Catholic direction and control. Let the public schools go to where they came from—the Devil."—Freeman's Journal. (Catholic)

More anon

C. M. Sherrouse,
Biloxi, Mississippi.

DRY GAINS IN THE NEXT CONGRESS

Our check-up based on practically complete returns shows that the vote in the next Senate will be 80 to 16 against any measure to repeal prohibition and at least 85 to 11 in favor of enforcing the 18th Amendment. In the House the vote will be 328 dry and 106 wet. This is a dry gain of 6 in the Senate and 11 in the House.

Even more significant than the figures of comparative wet and dry strength is the fact that the wet leadership in Congress has been practically annihilated. The famous B-E-E-R quartet has been reduced to a solo performance, only Edge re-

maining of the Bruce-Edwards-Edge-Reed combination. And Edge was not up for reelection this time.

Dry majorities have been maintained or increased in practically all of the state legislatures and there will be only 5 wet Governors in the entire nation.

The Republican administration, pledged to enforcement and with an over-whelmingly dry Congress to support the enforcement program and the unmistakable expression of public sentiment in the election, will be expected to give the full support of the Federal Government to the 18th Amendment. This will give local and state officials, with primary enforcement responsibility, the cooperation necessary to make the law effective. The election of dry local enforcement officials in cities like Chicago and Cleveland gives further assurance of much better enforcement in these large centers. We anticipate the most marked and decided progress during the next four years that has been achieved.

F. S. McBride.

GEORGE AND GREENE COUNTIES

I am closing out my tenth year as pastor of churches in the above counties.

In many respects this has been the most successful year on this field; not in point of increase in membership, but spirituality.

Bro. G. O. Parker assisted me in our revival meeting at Bothwell, where we received two by letter and the little church greatly benefited by his earnest messages.

Bro. D. W. Moulder (do you know him?), assisted us at Shady Grove Church. There were no accessions, but our people will never forget the zeal and enthusiasm manifested in his delivery of his messages the five days he was with us.

Dr. E. H. Marriner came to our assistance at Rocky Creek Church Monday night after the fifth Sunday in September, and for five days and nights delivered some of the most helpful sermons I have ever listened to. Dr. Marriner's messages are plain enough for the child to grasp and deep enough to instruct a theologian. His preaching is still bearing fruit, as we received two more last first Sunday.

Hitherto the Lord hath helped us whereof we are glad.

—A. R. Loftin.

EL PASO SANATORIUM NOT CLOSED

H. F. Vermillion

Dr. Arch C. Cree, Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board, has requested me to correct any impression that the tuberculosis sanatorium will be discontinued. Since the Carnes defalcation there has been considerable talk about selling or closing the Sanatorium and selling other Home Board properties. This talk created in the mind of doctors and prospective patients the impression that if a patient came here he might have to leave soon on account of the closing of the Sanatorium or a change in its own-

ership and management.

This and the effort made last winter and spring through the denominational press and at the Southern Baptist Convention in Chattanooga to discontinue the Sanatorium have cost us several thousand dollars in patronage and it will take some time to overcome the impression among many that the future of the Sanatorium is uncertain.

The Southern Baptist Convention has voted many times for a dozen years on the Sanatorium, and in every case the vote has been nearly unanimous for its continuance. I hope brethren everywhere will tell everybody that the Convention has no notion of closing the Sanatorium, and that everybody will send us all the pay patients possible. We cannot take full charity cases until the Home Board is able again to appropriate money for charity work. We can do a limited amount of charity in the way of reductions in rates.

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The Children's Circle

Mrs. P. I. Lipsey

My dear Children:

How fast these busy days are going, aren't they? Maybe not so fast with you as with me, do you say? I know time is awfully long when Teacher asks you how to spell Ticonderoga, or to give an account of the Battle of Gettysburg, if it has been some time since she asked me that. But before you know it, Thanksgiving is going to be here, for the trees are putting on their pretty red and yellow clothes, getting ready for it, now. Do you like to think of the turkey and cranberries that Mother will cook, and the mince pie? A fine roast chicken is nice, with lots of dressing and gravy, if you just have a small family. I'm not expecting to be at home this Thanksgiving, and a wedding is closely connected with that to me. No, I'll not tell you this time, tho' it's not much of a secret. I'll just say that if I haven't any more children to get married, I have a number of nieces and nephews.

Then, when Thanksgiving has come and gone, Christmas is only six weeks off! While we are thinking of all it means to us, loaded trees, bursting stockings, good things to eat, let us think, too, of those who will not have so many things to make them happy, and make some plans to divide our happiness with them. Shall we agree to do that?

Not so many letters this week, I don't know why. More next time, maybe.

Much love from

Mrs. Lipsey.

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Sarah Ann Phillips and sister	.20
Total	\$201.90

Enterprise, Miss., Oct. 29, 1928.
Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

This will be my first letter to write to the Record. I enjoy reading the children's page very much. I am 13 years old, and I have brown, wavy hair and black eyes. I go to school at Beat Line. I have a dog, and I named him "Hoover" after the President. I would have named him "Al" if I had liked Mr. Smith. I like Mr. Hoover, and I am going to name my cat Herbert. Next time I will send some contribution to the B. B. I. girl.

Your friend,

Sara Alice Walker.

Are you a bit of a prophet, Sara Alice? We have just heard this morning that Mr. Hoover is the President of the United States. I hope Hoover and Herbert will not fight as some cats and dogs do.

Sturgis, Miss., Nov. 3, 1928.
Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

The Morgan Chapel Junior B. Y. P. U. is sending \$1.00 for the B. B. I. girl.

Yours truly,

Sarah D. Morgan, Pres.

Thank your B. Y. P. U., Sarah, for its gift. I wish for you great success, and hope to hear from you again.

Crystal Springs, Miss. Oct. 28-28.
Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am a little boy 12 years old. I

am in the sixth grade. I am very proud of my school. Prof. Bond made a talk for us on the opening day of our school this year, and said it was the largest school of its kind in the world. We have over 1100 pupils, 45 teachers and 23 trucks. We have a fine building and lot that cost \$225,000. I am studying hard, for I want to be a great man when I get grown. On Friday of Fair Week I visited your Zoo and Orphans' Home before I went to the Fair Grounds. We were at the Orphans' Home at the noon hour and saw them prepare for their meal and watched them march into the dining room. They sang several nice songs for us and we enjoyed them. Am sending them 10c. Wish I had more to send. Much love to all of you people,

Cecil Bankhead.

Well, Cecil, you certainly told me some news about your school. It is indeed a fine one. As for the Zoo and Orphan's Home in Jackson, they are just as much yours as mine because I live in Clinton. We'll both claim them anyhow, especially the Orphanage. Thank you for the money.

Ripley, Miss., R. 4, Oct. 26-28.
Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Have just finished filling out the "Bible Puzzle," and thought I would write a little to the "Circle." I'm 14 years old, and I go to school at Shady Grove. We go to S. S. and Church every Sunday. Rev. C. S. Wales has been pastor there for the last 2 years, but they have called Rev. Autry for 1929. I have 2 sisters and 1 brother at home, and my Grandpa Davis lives with us. We take The Baptist Record, and I enjoy The Children's Circle very much. I'm sending \$1.00 (in all), 50c to the B. B. I. girl and 50c to the orphans. We have lots of bunnies out here. They sure are cute. Mrs. Lipsey, you and Dr. Lipsey come and visit us and see them.

Elizabeth Davis.

Dr. Autry was at the College here last year, Elizabeth, and is a fine man. You will all like him, I know. Thank you for the money, which has been divided as you direct.

Buckatunna, Miss., Oct. 19, 1928.
Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

This is my second time to write to the page. I like to read the page, and think it is a good thing we have it in the Record. We are all going to school now. I am in the sixth grade. Eula, my oldest sister, is in the fourth, and Nora, my youngest sister is in the high second. Mother is sick now, and I have to cook breakfast and fix our lunches. I read Miss Gladys' letter in the Record.

Wait a minute, I forgot to tell you about our teachers in school. We have five, and they are sure good ones.

Well, I am older than I was when I wrote the first time. I am 13 now. My birthday was the 28th, of September. I had a nice party and received several presents, too. Am sending 10c for the B. B. I. girl. Please print this soon, as I want to surprise Daddy.

Vera Copeland.

Thank you, Vera, for your letter, and for the one which came afterwards and brought the forgotten dime and another one. I hope Mother is quite well again.

Vicksburg, Miss., Oct. 28, 1928.
Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am a little girl 8 years old. I live in the country, and go to school at Oak Ridge. I have two brothers 7 and 3 years old. I wrote a letter

to you sometime ago and enclosed 10c for the orphans, but never saw it in print, so suppose it was lost. I'm sending in the Bible puzzle. My Mother helped me with it. It is the first four verses of the twenty-first chapter of St. Luke. I find yours not worded just as it is in my Bible, so I am sending both. I'm also sending a little gift for the orphans.

Your little friend,

Pattie Louise Henry.

I haven't your name on my list, Pattie, so your letter must have been lost. Thank you for coming again.

Lena, Miss., Oct. 29, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am sending fifty cents for the Orphanage. I hope you are getting good contributions for the Orphanage and the B. B. I. girl.

Your friend,

Holcomb White.

Yes, we are Holcomb. Thank you for what you send, and write us again when you can. Those are mighty good people you are named after.

Wesson, Miss., Nov. 8, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

We are two school girls 14 years of age. We are in the 8th grade. We go to Sand Hill School. Our teacher is Professor Tennyson. We like him very much. The Sand Hill girls have a very good ball team this year. We have won two games. That is all we have played. We are hoping to play Wesson before long. We go to S. S. and preaching at Zion Hill Church. Our pastor is Rev. C. W. Barnes. He is also the Professor at Martinsville School. We are going to have a play Thanksgiving. The name of it is "The Eyes of Love". It will be the 23rd of this month (November). Bye-bye,

Halma Pullen and

Anna Rae Waldrop.

If your team keeps on that way, girls, winning all it plays, it looks like it will be champion of the field. Come again.

Rockport, Miss., Nov. 5, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

May I join your happy Circle? I am enclosing 25c for our B. B. I. girl. I go to school at Strong Hope. My teacher's name is Miss Margaret Anding. Well, the Summer days are all gone and the cool days are coming, so we school girls and boys will get cool too. I have two grandfathers and one grandmother living. Goodbye. Your little friend,

Mary Nell Watts.

But, did you ever see more beautiful fall days than we are having, Mary Nell? The last two have been like summer. You are another fortunate in grandparents. Thank you for the B. B. I. money.

Collins, Miss., Oct. 29, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

The Ora Baptist Sunday School wishes to help you to help those who have been less fortunate than we. Then you will find enclosed a check for two dollars and a postoffice money order for nine dollars and three cents. Hoping this will be some help, I close. A friend,

Myrtle Lewis,

Secy. Ora Bapt. S. S.

I think this is the largest contribution we have ever had, Miss Lewis. We have had one or two of \$10, but your Sunday School goes beyond any, so far. You are indeed, a friend, and I am asking that you thank the Ora Sunday School heartily for us. It will go to the Orphanage before Thanksgiving, as we have a little gift to send them. I thank you.

Bogue Chitto, Miss., Nov. 6, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

We, the children of the Children's Department of Mt. Pleasant S. S., are interested in the orphans. We are sending Sunday's collection: Katie Ruth Prestridge 25c, Roena Clark 15c, Cleo King 25c, Rita Clark 31c, Lita Clark 31c, Katie Ruth

Moak 15c and Mrs. Lenzie R. Brown \$1.00. We hope we can do more in the future than we have in the past.

Mrs. Lenzie R. Brown, Teacher.

We are greatly obliged to Katie, Roena, Cleo, Rita, Lita (these two must be twins), Katie, and Mrs. Brown for this contribution. It will go on our Thanksgiving gift to the orphans.

Buckatunna, Miss., Nov. 4, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Here I am the third time writing to the page. The last time I said that I would send a dime, but I forgot to put it in and so I am sending 20c, that dime and a dime extra. The money will be for Miss Gladys. I think that she is doing a good work. Well, I must close for this time. Good-bye and love to you and the page.

Vera Copeland.

Well, that is a good way to do when you forget, Vera. I've got the dimes put down on my book all straight. Thank you.

Ocean Springs, Miss., Nov. 12, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

This is my first letter and I hope to see it in print, as I want to surprise my Grandmother. My Mother takes the Record and I like to read the letters. I am 8 years old and in the 4th grade. I go to Sunday School. My teacher's name is Mrs. Clark, and we love her. I have a bantam hen for a pet, also a little sister. I am sending 25c for the orphans and lots of love.

Lurline Schreiber.

A bantam hen and a little sister give you right much to do, don't they, Lurline? We have a borrowed cat for our pet, and sometimes our little grand-girls. Did you know we have four little grand-girls now, one way over in London, little Jeannie.

Lucien, Miss., Nov. 7, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Enclosed please find \$1.00 for the B. B. I. girl which I am sending for the Junior B. Y. P. U. here at Lucien to help send her through school. Some of our boys and girls will write you later, and they are also planning to contribute to the Orphanage around Thanksgiving. May God richly bless you and Miss Gladys in this great work. Yours in His service,

Mrs. M. R. Carpenter.

I haven't got the letter from the boys and girls yet, Mrs. Carpenter, but hope it will come. I see you are teaching them that giving is a large part of living. I thank you all so much.

Slate Springs, Miss., Nov. 11, 1928.
My dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am a little girl almost 8 years old. I am 3rd grade at school and belong to the Junior B. Y. P. U. My teacher's name is Miss Nora Burns; my leader is Mrs. A. W. Carroll. My little sister is 4 years old and goes to school too. We are sending 10c each for the orphans. I like to read the letters on your page. My birthday is Dec. 20th. I am asking Mother to give me a red-letter Bible for a present then.

Sarah Anne Phillips.

I hope she will, Sarah, and that you will read in it every day. Thank you and sister for the money.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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The Prayers of Paul,

Rom. 1:8-10; Eph. 1:15-23... 3:14-21;
I Thess. 1:2-5.(May be used as a Thanksgiving
Lesson)(From Points for Emphasis by H.
C. Moore)

Golden Text — Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks. I Thess. 5:16-18.

1. Sorrow inspired the prayer for comfort. (1) The company consisted of Paul and the Ephesian leaders. The Apostle was sailing along the southern shore of Asia Minor on his last journey to Jerusalem. At his request the leaders of the church at Ephesus in the interior came down to the coast city of Miletus for a brief interview. (2) The conference was very fruitful. It was featured by the remarkable address of Paul in which he referred to his ministry of three years at Ephesus, called upon the elders to guard the flock, warned against apostate teachers, outlined the Christian program and commended the elders to the grace of God. (3) The meeting was tearful, for the Ephesians were deeply touched and grieved at the announcement of Paul that they should see his face in the flesh no more. Their sorrow was shown with all the tokens of oriental intensity and emotion. Strong men wept aloud and fell upon the Apostle's neck with uncontrollable grief. (4) The farewell was tender. To the ship went the faithful company with the great Apostle and they must have waited ashore until the boat swung out into the sea and departed from view.

2. Service inspired the prayer of thanksgiving. (1) Think of the tidings that made Paul thankful. He had lately received direct news from Ephesus, although now in prison at Rome. He was glad to hear from the field and the flock where he had labored so faithfully. But he was more than glad to hear of their spiritual welfare. The two things that pleased him most were their faith in the Lord Jesus which had stood the storm of persecution and the stagnation of indifference, and the love which they were showing toward all the saints. (2) Observe the thankfulness of Paul over the tidings he received. His heart was filled with joy. His letter shows his gratitude. But especially his thankfulness was expressed in his prayer concerning them—praying that was continued and not momentary, spontaneous and not worked up, intercessory more than personal. Indeed he made mention of the church and doubtless of many individual members in his prayers. And his prayers now included supplication for their further spiritual success.

3. Strength inspired the prayer for power. (1) The need of strength was felt in the Ephesian church composed of Jews and Gentiles in order to maintain their oneness in Christ and to do harmoniously and effectively the work of Christ. (2) The source of strength is God the Father, the creative parent of the race and the redeeming parent of regenerate, to whom we can look as

Paul did for every good and perfect gift. (3) The gift of strength must be according to the glorious riches of his grace and not because of any merit we have or any claim we could make. (4) The seat of strength is not the physical, intellectual, or social nature, but the inward man, the spiritual nature, energized by the power of the Holy Spirit. (5) The secret strength is assured only by the indwelling Christ who by our faith in him occupies the throne in our hearts and sways the scepter over our lives. (6) The upkeep of strength is maintained in love as a thriving plant is rooted in good soil and a great building is grounded on a solid foundation. (7) The fellowship of strength is sweet and serviceable when it is in reciprocal relationship with all the saints. (8) The aspiration of strength in its service and appreciation of the divine love extends outward through the four dimensions of length, breadth, height, and depth. (9) The climax of strength is reached in knowing both as beneficiary and benefactor the love of Christ which passes the human knowledge. (10) The capacity of strength is pictured in the divine paradox whereby we may be filled unto all the fullness of God. So our lake becomes a part of his ocean. (11) The work of strength is accomplished in us according to the power we can appropriate and ask for, since God is able to grant a super-abundance beyond our highest hopes. (12) The glory of strength as shown in Christ, shared with the church and available unto all generations, must be ascribed unto God supremely and forever.

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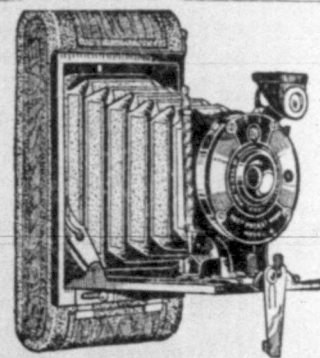
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Directors Conference Next Week

The BYPU Directors Conference is scheduled for just one week from today, that is Thursday Nov. 29th. That is a holiday and a day set apart for the observance of a thanksgiving for all the blessings that have been ours during the year. Certainly there could be no better way of spending the day than meeting in His name for the purpose of discussing His work and planning how better to advance His kingdom. We hope for a full attendance.

Okolona Reorganizes Their BYPU Work

Under the leadership of their new pastor, Bro. Lawrence Riley, the Okolona church has reorganized its BYPU work. They now have four splendid unions, Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Adult. A director has been elected; Mr. L. R. Howell has been elected to that important office.

On the first Sunday afternoon of this month, led by the pastor, thirty-four members of the unions motored to Houka. As a result of that meeting the Associational B. Y. P. U. is to be reorganized and a meeting has been called for first Sunday in December. The meeting is to be at the Okolona church in the afternoon at 2:30. They are looking for a good attendance and we shall look forward to having some good reports of the work as a whole.

George County Associational Officers Busy

A Word from the president of the George County Associational B. Y. P. U. speaks of the good work going on in that county. The president, Miss Annie Averett although teaching forty miles away finds it possible to keep the work going. She writes that one of the vice-presidents has recently had the privilege of reorganizing the work in one of the churches and expects to visit the church from time to time in order to keep the work going until they can get thoroughly established. That is a fine idea. Too many unions are organized and then left, never to have another meeting, because no one knows just how to conduct the work. Organize them and then SHOW them how to carry on.

Conehatta Organizes

A letter from Mrs. A. L. Patty tells of the newly organized BYPU work at Conehatta. She gives the names of the general BYPU officers and we are glad to list them here. Director, L. M. Harrall; Associate Director, Miss Oneider McDill; Secretary, Mrs. A. L. Petty; Chorister, Mrs. S. M. McDill; Pianist, Mrs. Grady Leach. She does not give the names of officers of each union but we are sure they are organized with full corps of officers for each union and we shall hear from them with some A-1 reports soon.

PASTOR USING HIS YOUNG PEOPLE

Talk Made at State Baptist Convention by Rev. D. A. McCall
Jackson, Miss.

Rev. D. A. McCall of Jackson, said:

My subject is, "The Enlistment and the Development of Our Young People." I am in a peculiar position. If I say, I know a great deal about this subject, you may find out differently before I am through. If I say I know little someone will say: "We already know that, tell us something new. I think I will just say neither and allow you to do your own surmising in the matter.

Our young people have some things to do. Our young people can do the things which they have before them to do. Do you believe that? As leaders, the faith we have in the young people will have a large bearing in enlisting and developing them. The faith we may fail to have in them will be more evident to the young people themselves than we may suspect. Young life is very appreciative of those who help and very sensitive to the jealousies and indifference of those who go before.

Youth has hung up a blazing banner of victory in tasks accomplished along the roadway of life. Samuel, a lad, was called at the age of 12. Shakespeare, wrote his first play at the age of 24 years. Bryant, we are told, wrote Thanatopsis when 19 years of age. Michael Angelo started on the road to fame when 23 years old. Newton had done his greatest work at the age of 25. John Calvin wrote his "Institutes" when 27 years of age. Luther launched the Reformation movement at the age of 29 years and Jesus Christ had finished the Father's Work and died on Calvary's Cross at the thirty-third mile post of life.

Are Living Already

So, our young people are not merely getting ready to live but they are already living. They will never entirely get away from the influences now playing across their lives. How shall we develop and enlist these young people?

Note their energies and give them something to do! Lead them into

lines of service in the mill sections, mission centers, or, down at the jail-house or prison farm. Catch the spirit of youth's enthusiasm and direct it in religious channels as well as on the athletic field and during the social hour. We say God ought to be glorified even in the secular, yet, we do not always magnify it. For instance, it is taken for granted that teaching a Sunday school class or leading a B. Y. P. U. is a greater service, still, could not the coaching of a basket ball team become very helpful in other hours in keeping the right influences uppermost on that court? Putting a brick in its place in erecting a great building for worship is fine and throwing one out of the pathway might also be helpful in saving some chubby toe or the tire of some girl's bicycle.

Should Enlist and Develop

How enlist and develop our young people? Let your life become vibrant with the optimism of youth and give your messages and your programs the forward and upward look that will become winsome to that spirit. Is that too idealistic? Was the little girl wrong in Dr. Truett's story, when after listening to the pessimism in the first half of a 30 minute message, she nudged her mother and said: "Mother, will that fusser never cease?" If God is still on His throne, and He is, we should recognize that fact in the spirit of our life and work and messages. God's Word looks to the morning on the very first page for there were read "the evening and the morning were the first day.

Our young people are leadable! The members of a certain class were not staying for the church service. The teacher was sitting in the choir. She was asking them to stay one day and they told her to sit with them and they would. She agreed to that and every last member of that class was by her side.

Young people like to do things. Are our programs attractive and filled with matters helpful to the attendants? Our young people are growing and progressive and vigorous. Shall we match those traits in our work?

Let us use them and we will not lose them!

Officials of the Airplane B. Y. P. U. of the Second Baptist Church here motored out to the aviation field last week and six pictures were taken of them by the news editor of the local paper, as they stood before a large airplane.

Members of the Union will "fly" around South Tupelo Sunday afternoon, visiting the sick and aged couples. Some will sing songs selected by the homes visited, while others will distribute flowers.

Three new members applied for aviator's license in the Union and were accepted. They will be taught how to "fly" above any sordid environments around them and to "control" the baser side of their nature by the lure of the higher.

The first meeting of the Airplane B. Y. P. U. was printed in papers over 100,000 times. The Baptist Record and Tupelo News gave it mention on the inside cover of their

publications, while the Press-Scimitar and Tupelo Journal gave it first page mention.

T. H. Hall, Jr.

Walnut Grove

November fourth in a quiet Sabbath hour the lives of Miss Kate Keenan and Mr. Egbert Grimes were joined in wedlock.

The bride is the charming daughter of Mr. L. A. Keenan, a prominent merchant of this place.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Z. Grimes, of Estes Mill. He has been employed by G. M. & N. R. R. for the past several months.

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S. T. C. B. Y. P. U.'s Show Improvement

The five B. Y. P. U.'s made a much better showing last Sunday night than ever before. Much interest and good spirit is being shown. There is quite a bit of rivalry among the unions and almost a fight as to who shall keep the banner. Of course every union likes the banner not only for the honor but most of all for the good work of the union.

Twelve took study course and passed the examination in "Senior B. Y. P. U. Administration" last week, taught by Mr. Pennebaker. As yet only about half of our B. Y. P. U. members have taken a study course. Before this year is gone, we hope every member will have taken a study course.

Sunday School Social

The Excelsior Sunday School Class enjoyed a delightful and well planned party at church Saturday night. This party was planned by Miss Lessie Karston and committee. Games were played and refreshments served, which all seemed to enjoy.

"Keep Faith"

"I will keep faith", my college days,
"I'll stand by truth and kindly deeds;
I'll stand for honest sportsmanship,
For earnest work, for noble creed.

With all whose love and faith in me
Have made me what I am today,
I will keep faith, as best I may,
With all the strength that's given me."

I must keep faith. No deed of mine
Should make that strength a weaker thing,
Belittle truth, defame the creed,
And shame instead of honor bring.

To all the past, to future years,
To all the college of today,
I will keep faith, as best I may,
With all the strength of all the years.

—Nell Burgess, Reporter.

M. S. C. W. NOTES

Miss Irene Ward, student secretary, was absent from the Workshop three days the week when she attended the State Convention held at Meridian, November 13, 14, 15.

Three interesting and valuable study courses are being given at the Baptist Workshop this week.

Mr. Haley, from Kentucky, is teaching the Doctrinal Books from six to seven o'clock every morning.

Miss Cecelia Durscherl has charge of the course on Junior-Intermediate Leaders' Manual. This class meets from four to five every afternoon.

The General B. Y. P. U. Organization is taught by Mr. Auber J. Wilds from three to four o'clock in the afternoon. A large number of girls are taking advantage of the opportunity of these splendid courses.

Miss Pauline Wright, a graduate

of last year, remembered the Workshop by sending a gift of 5.00. She is teaching this year at Charleston, Mississippi. We're in hopes that Pauline's gift will serve as an example to other seniors who are now "getting rich quick" in the teaching profession.

The backyard of the Workshop is at last clean! Some of the college girls and Dr. Roy Griffin, of Columbus, exerted some superfluous energy on the holiday last Monday. Dr. Griffin brought out hoes, rakes, axes, and other implements of warfare, and he and the college girls used them to advantage.

The A. & M. B. S. U. Council were guests of the M. S. C. W. B. S. U. Council on last Saturday afternoon. The meeting was of a two-fold nature: To discuss plans and problems of the B. S. U. work, and to become acquainted. A supper at the Workshop was the crowning feature of the visit.

—Reporter.

D. W. MOULDER

An Appreciation

I think we sometimes wait too long to tell our associates we appreciate them. Often we wait and tell others at the grave.

Someone asked the question sometime ago, How can or how has Brother Moulder done the work he has and retained his health?

Well, I answer it by saying, God is with him.

For almost 25 years Bro. D. W. Moulder has influenced my life, and I thank God for it. I feel I owe him a debt I can never repay.

One thing that has helped him most, I think, is his cheerful disposition. Cheerfulness is his most valuable quality.

Good cheer is a great lubricant; it oils all of life's machinery.

Bro. Moulder wears the sunshine expression, which radiates good cheer and hope, which indicates a feeling of good will and helpfulness. He has not accumulated much of this world's goods but he has a monument of love and admiration in the hearts of all who know him. You will soon find him to be a man with an optimistic spirit. He thinks life is too short and time too precious to go about spending time talking about the dark side of life.

I have found a poem I think would be in its place, so I want to give it just here:

SAY IT NOW

If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing,

If you like him or you love him, tell him now.

Don't withhold your approbation till the parson makes oration

And he lies with snowy lilies o'er his brow;

For no matter how you shout it, he won't really care about it;

He won't know how many tears drops you have shed.

If you think some praise is due him, now's the time to slip it to him,

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

More than fame and more than

money is the comment, kind and sunny,

And the hearty, warm approval of a friend,

For it gives to life a savor and it makes you stronger; braver,

And it gives you heart and spirit to the end.

If he earns your praise, bestow it; if you like him, let him know it;

Let the words of true encouragement be said.

Do not wait till life is over and he's underneath the clover,

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

—Forbes' Magazine.

EVANGELIST T. T. MARTIN INTERVIEWED

Your "reporter" has interviewed Evangelist T. T. Martin concerning The Bible School of Evangelism which he is establishing at Blue Mountain, Mississippi, and which begins its first session, the Pastor-Evangelists' session of four months, on Dec. 31st.

Reporter: "What is the outlook for The Bible School of Evangelism?"

Answer: "It has been the surprise of my life. I expected only a few applications the first session; but they are coming from all parts of the country, from as far as California. Five applications came in today's mail. Many we cannot take, for we have no money yet with which to help students. We have not even sufficient school furniture, bedding, desks, etc., for a large number. You see, we teach without salary and charge no tuition and furnish board at cost, and we are not able at first to help students financially and so are forced to turn many away."

Reporter: "What character of students are applying?"

Answer: "That has been another surprise to me; they come from all walks of life and of all ages; farmers, working men, professional men, men up to 60 years of age, several past 40 years of age; men who have long resisted the call to preach. Some of the letters thrill me and touch me deeply,—men burning to preach the Gospel."

Reporter: "Have you your faculty?"

Answer: "Yes; we have seven, and are hoping by next year to have one or two more."

Reporter: "What are your conditions of entrance?"

Answer: "None whatever. A Jew, a Catholic, an Infidel, an Atheist or a preacher of any denomination or a business man or working men will be welcomed. We would welcome the privilege to go to their homes to teach them the Bible; if they come to us to be taught the Bible, we welcome them. We have two conditions for remaining: that they live as Christian gentlemen, and that they study faithfully."

Reporter: "Have you any special features?"

Answer: "Yes, three. Our Pastor-Evangelists' session will enable pastors who hold revival meetings to take the four months' winter session and get back to their churches

IN MEMORIAM

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Early in the morning of Oct. 9th, 1928 the spirit of Mrs. Mary Pope Maye, took its flight from earth.

She had been a patient sufferer for many months, but her faith in God did not waver.

Circle No. 6, of Columbia W. M. U., will greatly miss her. When able to do so, she was a faithful attendant, and we will remember with gladness the many times we met at her home, when she was not able to attend elsewhere. In early womanhood she united with Cedar Grove Baptist Church, where she remained a faithful member until death.

To the bereaved husband and children we tender our sincere sympathy, and commend them to Our Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

Mrs. P. O. Robertson,
Mrs. Tom Pope, Jr.
Comm.

on Sundays, or to get supplies for the four months. Second, our special department for preachers who are under college grade. As rapidly as we can we will provide help for them. Third, we will have several courses of lectures, by outstanding scholars, pastors and evangelists. The first course of lectures will be given Feb. 4th through the 8th by the noted scholar and authority on archaeology, philosophy and theology, Benjamin D. Hahn, formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church, Springfield, Massachusetts, now of Greenville, South Carolina. He has today no superior in scholarship and in theology. It will be worth going a thousand miles to hear this course of lectures; and we are expecting many from a distance. Another special feature will be the two years' course in public speaking by the truly great teacher of oratory, Prof. J. F. Hailey. I do not believe that there is a better teacher of oratory living today."

WILL THE PREACHERS SWALLOW THE BAIT?

It is interesting indeed to note how a certain governor is cultivating a love for the "pinhead" preachers, and his wonderful interest in them so soon after the National election is over. Borrowing the slogan of a well known beverage company, "There's a Reason". And that "Reason" is obvious. Maybe he thinks he is losing his grip on folks, or about to lose some of that great magnetism he once seemed to possess and will need said preachers again some day. It is truly hoped that he is learning something. He has had opportunity of late to learn, for he has been exposed to some great object lessons from which he might have learned a great deal. His home county going as it did in the recent National election was a direct reflection on the Ananias stunt pulled in Memphis not long ago.

Mistakes cannot be covered up successfully by other mistakes. May-

be the governor sees by now that the preachers are not the "pinhead" bunch he took them to be. But thinking, as he seems to think, that maybe he will need them again some day, he goes fishing for them and baits his hook with Automobile Tax Exemption proposals. But I think the preachers are wise enough to see the point of the hook too plainly to be caught by such a scheme. No decent preacher will knowingly be bribed. I resent such an effort, for it has the coloring, at least, of bribery. I truly hope if it comes to the Legislature for consideration, it will be defeated overwhelmingly.

Preachers appreciate everything that is legitimately turned to their hand. As a rule, they are poor, needy, but they have no more right to automobile tax exemption than any other poor class. Churches ought to pay their pastors a decent salary and then let them pay for what they get just like other people.

Sincerely,

—O. H. Richardson,
A Baptist Preacher.

RESOLUTIONS IN THE INTEREST OF BETTER CHURCH MUSIC PROGRAMS

Offered by I. E. Reynolds
Before the Mississippi State Baptist
Convention Assembled at Meridian,
Mississippi, November 13-16, 1928

Believing that you are deeply interested in every phase of the Church and religious activity of Southern Baptists, this resolution is presented to you for your serious and prayerful consideration and adoption, in order that a concerted movement may be started, having in mind certain ideals toward which to work in the interest of better music programs in all church worship and services, and related activities.

Whereas; Music has such a large and important place given to it in the Bible; and,

Whereas, Music has meant so much in all religious life, because of its power and influence; and,

Whereas, music fills such a vital and necessary place in the Church worship and services of our Baptist people; and,

Whereas, The standards and char-

acter of music used in the average Church of the Southern Baptist Convention are below those which ought to be maintained; and,

Whereas, The standards and character of music used in the average Church of the Southern Baptist Convention are not on a par with the preaching, teaching, and other activities of our Christian work and service; and,

Whereas, It is just as necessary to train for, teach, and render wholesome music in connection with the regular church services, Sunday School, Young People's Work, Evangelistic Meetings, and other religious gatherings as it is that other literature used in connection with these programs should be wholesome; and,

Whereas, Every reform of an educational nature in Christian work must begin primarily with the teaching and training departments of our Churches, just so, the development of an appreciation for better sacred music must begin in these departments among the young people, because of the difficulty in changing the musical appreciation of adults; and,

Whereas, Because of the difficulty in changing the musical appreciation of adult life, it is all the more necessary to place the greatest emphasis upon training the young people along this line; and,

Whereas, There is no organized movement among Southern Baptists through which the Churches of the whole constituency of the Southern Baptist Convention may be reached;

Therefore, be it resolved that we pledge ourselves to stand for and use our influence for the promotion of higher standards in music in all religious programs featured by our Churches by indorsing, and as far as possible, trying to carry out the following suggestions:

1st. That we begin a campaign for the improvement of music both in the character of music used and in its rendition in the regular church services, Sunday School, Young People's Work, Evangelistic Meetings and every other religious activity where music is used.

2nd. That we do everything in our power to develop an apprecia-

tion among our Baptist people as a whole for a more wholesome church music.

3rd. That we use our influence in creating a demand upon the part of our people for a musical leadership including Church Musical Directors, Choir Directors, Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. Song Leaders and Accompanists, Evangelistic Singers, etc., that will measure up to certain standards which will be satisfactory and conducive to the highest ideals and the best results relative to consecration, denominational affiliation, musical efficiency in theory, practice and practical application just as certain standards are required for all others who are in places of leadership in connection with our church and Christian activities, as Preachers, Superintendents, Teachers, Young People's Leaders, etc.

4th. That we use our influence in trying to induce churches to employ Church Music Directors instead of Choir Directors, in order that there may be coordination of the entire musical leadership of the Church properly related to the work of every department instead of being the director of the choir only.

5th. That only the most wholesome music—hymnals, song books, octavo and other music—relative to its literary excellence, musical construction, doctrinal content and practical usefulness be used in connection with all church and related Christian programs,—music which appeals to the heart instead of music which appeals primarily to the head and to the feet.

6th. That provision be made in all Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Training Schools, Encampments, Assemblies, and Conventions for classes, conferences, and lectures dealing with the music programs used in connection with the Church and its related activities.

7th. That whenever possible only such musical leadership be invited or employed to conduct the music of the regular church services, evangelistic meetings, conventions, encampments, assemblies, and conferences as has an appreciation for, and uses only such music and methods of conducting the same as will be conducive to the spirituality and

the highest ideals of any religious or Christian service, and on a par with the ideals and standards of the speakers and others who appear on the program.

8th. By insisting that those who aspire to musical leadership in connection with any phase of the church services, who have native talent and ability, take special training preparatory for this service, just as we expect the leadership along other lines of Christian activity to take special training for their work.

9th. By constantly being on the lookout for young men and young women whom the Lord has called who have native leadership ability, talent, personality and initiative along music lines, lending them every encouragement and assistance in starting them into the work.

10th. By using our influence in creating a sentiment that will ultimately induce the Sunday School Board at the Southern Baptist Convention to establish a Department of Church Music for the purpose of sending men into the field to assist the Churches in organizing the music forces, teaching and drilling them making suggestions relative to, and demonstrating the most wholesome music to be used, and putting on Church Music Educational Programs, also for the purpose of editing and publishing hymnals, song books, octavo and other music used by the churches, which they can secure at reasonable prices, and at the same time be sure to secure music that is wholesome from every standpoint.

11th. By keeping in mind that these ideals can only be attained by keeping our own ideals high, by being patient and persevering, constantly looking to our Heavenly Father for grace, strength and wisdom to help us in this great work of leading our Southern Baptist People to an appreciation of higher standards in Sacred Music.

Little Clifton, who had been taken into the country for a day's outing, saw a spider spinning a web between two tall weeds.

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could lend a cent to the Board to either of these officers without the knowledge and cooperation of the other.

In the second place the banks have instructions not to honor any checks of the Board unless they are signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by either the Secretary or President. Every bank in which we carry an account keeps on file the signatures of the Treasurer, Secretary and President of the Board.

In the third place if we wished to increase our debt—which we have no notion of doing—it would have to be authorized by the Executive Committee.

In the fourth place our securities are in a safe-deposit box in the vault of a bank and this box cannot be opened unless an officer of the bank and two officers of the Board are present.

In the fifth place we employ one of the best firms of accountants in the country who not only make a full audit at the end of each year but keep the books audited from month to month. For example, our books at this time are audited completely up to November 1st. The cost of this service is a little over \$500 a year.

We borrow practically all of our money from banks in Richmond. The officers of these banks know in detail all of our methods of procedure; and every one of them would say that we have thrown around our funds ample safeguards. The only chance of loss would be by means of outright forgery.

THE DEPARTMENT OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST STUDENT WORK

I. J. Van Ness, Executive Sec'y.

At the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention, upon recommendation of the Efficiency Committee, the Baptist Student Work in the South was turned over to our Board. This work had been carried on through the Inter-Board Commission, representing the Foreign Board, the Home Board, the Education Board, the Woman's Missionary Union, and the Sunday School Board. Under the direction of this Commission it had attained very great efficiency and had established itself as one of the essential objects of our Convention work. While we were in thorough accord with the plan of cooperative work with the other boards, we of course accepted the decision of the Convention.

This work when it came to the Sunday School Board was made one of its definite departments and designated as the Department of Southern Baptist Student Work. We have asked the other boards to cooperate with us in conducting the work and in planning for it. The expense, however, of the work and the final responsibility fall upon us.

Mr. Frank H. Leavell was of course immediately selected by our Board as the secretary in charge of this department, and Mr. William Hall Preston, who had been his associate, was also continued. Since that time we have added Miss Ethel F. McConnell to the force connected with this department.

This work for students has already taken on a distinctive character and it has become unique, not only so far as Southern Baptists are concerned, but in contrast with the student work being conducted under other auspices. Its purpose is to retain the students during their school life in active religious work and in identifying them with the work of their own denomination. The organizations which have been developed for the campus are not only distinctively Baptist, but they are distinctive in that they promote the church life, such as goes on in all our churches. The students have given most cordial recognition to the efforts of the past and welcomed with equal cordiality the new venture under our auspices.

One of the strong features of all this work is that it has appealed to both denominational and state schools. We have obtained an entrance into state institutions which has been most grati-

fying. We feel that we cannot afford to neglect the thousands of young people who are sent by their parents to these schools and who must be made a distinct asset in our church life. At the same time our great concern is for our denominational schools. We have of course been cordially welcomed to these schools, and little by little they have accepted our own distinctive organization. We expect to give special attention to the denominational schools and to, as far as possible, make our work more aggressive in these institutions because they present to us more positive opportunities.

The Sunday School Board feels gratified, as I have said, for the immediate and frank response which has come from these schools to this change of direction. On our part we pledge to them our best efforts to promote the best interest of Southern Baptists in their missionary promotional and educational work.

STREET PREACHING IN NEW ORLEANS

W. W. Hamilton, Baptist Bible Institute

One of the many places in New Orleans where the Baptist Bible Institute students preach on the streets is at the corner of Canal and Rampart. An average of about thirty-five professions each week are reported from these services at the forty or more locations.

A Rampart business man met the President at a social engagement recently and said, "I like the way the Bible Institute Students conduct those meetings, and I want to make a contribution to the support of the school. I have three fifty dollar gifts from my business associates, and I am going to add a hundred dollars." The mail soon brought the two hundred and fifty dollars.

This business man is not a Baptist and would tell you he is short on piety, but his heart was touched by the gospel which was preached on the streets and he wanted to express his appreciation of the school and of the students for their unselfish and far-reaching work in New Orleans.

Mr. John C. Cardwell, senior deacon in Epiphany Church, Maywood, Ill., says he was much impressed with Jackson as he passed through on a motor trip in July. He also gives the Record a kindly word and says we must keep America dry.

We express our appreciation for, and publish by request, the following resolution passed by the State Convention at Meridian without a dissenting vote:

"Whereas we have just passed through one of the greatest moral crises in the history of our nation; and whereas certain of our denominational leaders had to bear the brunt of this struggle, and the criticisms resulting therefrom;

Therefore be it Resolved, That we hereby heartily commend Dr. P. I. Lipsey and Dr. R. B. Gunter for their capable, courageous leadership, and that we hereby reaffirm our confidence in their leadership, and pledge to them our unstinted loyalty and cooperation in the future; and that a copy of these resolutions be submitted to The Baptist Record for publication."

The Eleventh Series of lectures upon the William Cleaver Wilkinson Foundation will be given by President M. G. Kyle, D.D., LL.D., of Xenia Theological Seminary, in the chapel of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, 3040 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, as follows: Monday, December 10th, 7:45 P.M., "Life and Culture of Bible Lands in Bible Times" (Illustrated); Tuesday, 10:15 A.M., "Why the Archaeologist"; Tuesday, 7:45 P.M., "How the Archaeologist Works"; Wednesday, 10:15 A.M., "Significance of Findings at Kirjath Sepher"; Thursday, December 13th, 10:15 A.M., "Trustworthiness of Ancient Documents". Dr. Kyle is one of the foremost living archaeologists and lectures in a most popular, interesting, and inspiring manner. The public is cordially welcome. Bible teachers will be especially helped.